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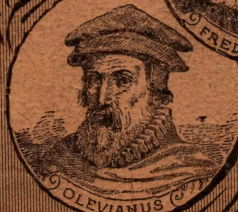
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QUESTION.—What is thy only comfort in life and death?

ANSWER.—That I, with body and soul, both in life and death, am not my own, but belong unto my faithful Saviour Jesus Christ, who, with His precious blood, hath fully satisfied for all my sins, and delivered me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me, that, without the will of my Heavenly Father, not a hair can fall from my head; yea, that all things must be subservient to my salvation: and therefore, by His Holy Spirit. He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me sincerely willing and ready henceforth to live unto Him.

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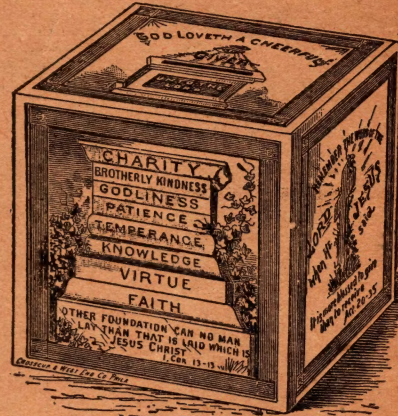
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Almanac for the Year of our Lord 1894, being a common year of 365 days.

MOON'S SIGNS.				PLANETS AND ASPECTS.			
 New Moon.	 First Quarter.	 Full Moon.	 Last Quarter.	♄ Saturn.	♂ Mars.	♀ Venus.	☾ Moon.
				♃ Jupiter.	☉ Sun.	☿ Mercury.	♁ Herschel.
♌ Conjunction, or planets in the same longitude.				☐ Quartile, when they are 90 degrees distant.			
⊕ Sextile, when they are 60 degrees apart.				△ Trine, when they are 120 degrees distant.			
				♌ Opposition, when they are 180 degrees distant.			

CHRONOLOGICAL CYCLES.			
Dominical Letter, G.	Epact, 23	Roman Indiction, 7	
Golden Number, or Lun. Cycle, 14	Solar Cycle, 27	Julian Period, 6607	
The Jewish Era, with their 5655th year, commences on the 1st of October, 1894.			
The Mohammedan Era, with their 1312th year, commences on the 5th of July, 1894.			

MOVABLE FESTIVALS.			
Septuagesima Sunday, Jan. 21.	Palm Sunday, March 18.	Whit Sunday, or Pentecost, May 13.	
Sexagesima " " 28.	Maundy Thursday, " 22.	Trinity Sunday, " 20.	
Quinquagesima " Feb. 4.	Good Friday, " 23.	Corpus Christi, " 24.	
Shrove Tuesday, " 6.	Easter Sunday, " 25.	Decoration Day, " 30.	
Ash Wednesday, " 7.	Rogation Sunday, April 29.	1st Sunday in Advent, Dec. 2.	
Quadragesima Sunday, " 11.	Ascension Day, May 3.	Sundays after Trinity are 27.	

THE FOUR EMBER DAYS.			
February 14.	May 16.	September 19.	December 19.

THE FOUR SEASONS OR CARDINAL POINTS.			
Vernal Equinox, Sun enters ♈ March 20th,	9 o'clock 56 minutes, morning.		
Summer Solstice, " " ♊ June 21st,	6 " 1 " "		
Autumnal Equinox, " " ♏ September 22d,	8 " 25 " evening.		
Winter Solstice, " " ♐ December 21st,	3 " 6 " "		
Moon (☾) is called the Governing Planet this year.			

MORNING STARS.	EVENING STARS.
Venus from February 16th to November 30th.	Venus until February 20th, after November 20th.
Mars until October 20th.	Mars after October 20th.
Jupiter from June 4th to December 22d.	Jupiter until June 4th, after December 22d.
Saturn from April 11th to October 21st.	Saturn until April 11th, after October 21st.
Mercury until January 29th, from March 14th to May 20th, from July 20th to September 3d, after November 30th.	Mercury from January 29th to March 14th, from May 20th, July 20th, from September 3d to November 30th.

PLANETS BRIGHTEST.
Mercury, February 21st, May 21st, August 19th, November 26th; Venus, January 10th, March 22d; Saturn, April 11th; Mars, October 20th; Jupiter, December 22d.

ECLIPSES FOR THE YEAR 1894.
There will be four Eclipses this year; two of the Sun and two of the Moon; also a transit of Mercury over the Sun's disk.
I. A partial Eclipse of the Moon, March 21st, 8 o'clock, 27 minutes, forenoon; not visible here. The beginning visible in the extreme west portion of North America, the Pacific Ocean, and Asia, except the extreme west portion; the end visible in Alaska, the Pacific Ocean and all of Asia.
II. An Annular Eclipse of the Sun April 5th, 11 o'clock, 27 minutes, evening; invisible in the United States; visible in Asia, Alaska and Pacific Ocean.
III. A partial Eclipse of the Moon September 14th and 15th, visible. The beginning generally visible in the west portions of Europe and Africa, the Atlantic Ocean. North and South America, and the eastern portion of the Pacific Ocean; the end visible generally in the extreme west portion of Africa, the Atlantic Ocean, North and South America, and the eastern part of the Pacific Ocean.
IV. A Total Eclipse of the Sun September 29th, 10 o'clock, 6 minutes, in the morning. Invisible in America; visible in Africa, Indian Ocean, and Australia. A transit of Mercury Nov. 10th, over the Sun's disk, visible generally in the west portions of Europe, in Africa, North and South America, and the Pacific Ocean.

TIMES OF THE PHASES.
Moon enters shadow Sept. 14th, 10 o'clock, 35 minutes evening. Middle of Eclipse Sept. 14th, 11 o'clock, 31 minutes, evening.
Moon leaves shadow " 15th, 12 " 27 " morning. Magnitude of the Eclipse = 0.231 (Moon's diameter = 1).
TIMES OF THE PHASES OF TRANSIT.
Ingress, interior contact, 10 o'clock, 57 min., A. M. Least distance of centres 4' 26'' 8, 1 o'clock, 35 min., P. M.
Egress, interior contact, 4 o'clock 10 min., P. M. Duration of Transit, 5 hours, 17 minutes.

Carefully calculated for the Meridian of Philadelphia, by WILL R. IRACH.

JANUARY,

1st Month, 31 Days.

1894.

WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON R. & S. H. M.	MOON'S PLACE. S. A.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S. SI. M. H. M. H. M.	SUN RISES SETS H. M. H. M.	HIGH WATER PHILA. H. M.
Monday	1 <i>New Year</i>	1 Pet. 2: 12-19	12 59		26 ♀ sets 8 19 e. ☾	47 23 4	37 9 37	
Tuesday	2 <i>Martyrs H. Scrip</i>	Philip 2: 1-11	2 4		8 ♀ in ♍. Sirius south 11 44 e.	47 23 4	37 10 23	
Wednesday	3 <i>Gordius</i>	1 Pet. 4: 12-19	3 17		20 ♂ ♄ ♃. ♄ rises 4 16 m.	57 23 4	37 11 7	
Thursday	4 <i>Titus</i>	Eph. 3:	4 39		3 ♃ south 8 20 e. ☾	57 22 4	38 12 3	
Friday	5 <i>Simeon</i>	Ps. 24:	5 54		17 in apo. ♂ ♄ ♃. *7 south 8 37 e.	67 22 4	38 12 45	
Saturday	6 <i>Epiphany</i>	Luke 2: 40-52	♃ sets		1 ♄ rises 12 54 m. ☾	67 21 4	39 1 15	

1] *1st Sunday after Epiphany.*

Luke 2: 41-52; Rom. 12: 1-5.

Day's Length, 9 hours, 18 minutes.

Sunday	7 <i>Wittekind</i>	John 6: 26-71	5 20		15 Rigel south 9 57 e.	77 21 4	39 1 46	
Monday	8 <i>Severinus</i>	" 7:	6 18		0 Casta south 12 26 m.	77 20 4	40 2 35	
Tuesday	9 <i>Catharine Zell</i>	" 8: 1-20	7 19		14 ♀ sets 8 17 e.	77 20 4	40 3 22	
Wednesday	10 <i>Paul of Thebes</i>	" 8: 21-50	8 22		29 ♂ ♄ ♃. ♄ gr. Brilliancy	87 19 4	41 4 7	
Thursday	11 <i>Fructuosus</i>	" 9:	9 25		14 ♄ in Aphelion	87 19 4	41 4 50	
Friday	12 <i>J. Castellian</i>	" 10: 1-21	10 24		28 ♄ rises 4 9 m.	97 18 4	42 5 32	
Saturday	13 <i>Hilary</i>	" 10: 22-42	11 33		13 ♃ rises 12 29 m. ☾ in ♍	97 17 4	43 6 14	

2] *2d Sunday after Epiphany.*

John 2: 1-11; Rom. 12: 6-16.

Day's Length, 9 hours, 26 min.

Sunday	14 <i>Felix</i>	Mark 1: 1-20	morn.		27 14. ☐ ♃ ☉	97 17 4	43 6 59	
Monday	15 <i>John a' Lasco</i>	" 1: 21-45	12 40		11 ♃ stationary	107 16 4	44 7 46	
Tuesday	16 <i>Geo. Spalatine</i>	" 2:	1 53		24 ♂ ♃ ♃. ♃ south 7 32 e.	107 15 4	45 8 38	
Wednesday	17 <i>Anthony</i>	" 3: 1-19	3 8		7 ♀ sets 8 5 e.	107 14 4	46 9 36	
Thursday	18 <i>John Blackader</i>	" 3: 20-35	4 26		20 ♂ ♃ ♃. Orion south 9 49 e. ☾	117 13 4	47 10 40	
Friday	19 <i>Heid. Cat. 1563</i>	" 4:	5 43		3 ♄ rises 4 6 m.	117 12 4	48 11 47	
Saturday	20 <i>Fabian and Sebastian</i>	" 5; 6: 1-16	6 49		16 ♃ in per. ☉ enters ♋	117 12 4	48 12 54	

3] *Septuagesima Sunday.*

Matt. 20: 1-16; 1 Cor. 9: 24-27.

Day's Length, 9 hours, 38 min.

Sunday	21 <i>Agnes</i>	Luke 3:	♃ rises		28 21. Spica rises 11 39 e.	127 11 4	49 1 20	
Monday	22 <i>Vincent</i>	" 4:	6 36		10 Procyon south 11 12 e.	127 10 4	50 1 25	
Tuesday	23 <i>Isaiah</i>	" 5:	7 47		22 ♃ south 7 5 e.	127 9 4	51 2 53	
Wednesday	24 <i>Timothy</i>	" 6: 1-19	8 58		4 ♀ station- ary. Capella south 6 30 e.	127 8 4	52 3 52	
Thursday	25 <i>Paul's Conversion</i>	" 6: 20-49	9 58		16 ♀ sets 7 46 e.	137 7 4	53 4 57	
Friday	26 <i>Polycarp</i>	" 7:	10 57		28 ♄ in ♋. Arctur rises 10 18 e. ☾ in ♋	137 6 4	54 5 49	
Saturday	27 <i>Jno. Chrysostom</i>	" 8:	11 50		10 ♂ ♃ ♃. ♃ rises 11 34 e.	137 5 4	55 6 48	

4] *Sexagesima Sunday.*

Luke 8: 4-15; 2 Cor. 11: 19-33.

Day's Length, 9 hours, 52 min.

Sunday	28 <i>Charlemagne</i>	Luke 9: 1-36	morn.		22 28. ♄ rises 4 3 m.	137 4 4	56 7 33	
Monday	29 <i>Juventine</i>	" 9: 37-62	12 57		4 ♂ ♃ ♃. ♂ ♄ ☉ superior	137 3 4	57 8 19	
Tuesday	30 <i>Henry Müller</i>	" 10:	1 49		16 ♃ south 6 38 e.	147 2 4	58 9 8	
Wednesday	31 <i>Hans Sachs</i>	" 11: 1-36	2 47		28 ♄ gr. Hel. Lat. S.	147 1 4	59 9 58	

Moon's Phases.

New Moon,	6th, 10 o'clock,	4 minutes, evening.
First Quarter,	14th, 7 "	6 " "
Full Moon,	21st, 10 "	8 " forenoon.
Last Quarter,	28th, 11 "	45 " "

Conjectures of the Weather.

1, 2, 3, cold; 4, 5, misty; 6, 7, cold; 8, 9, snow; 10, 11, fair; 12, 13, variable; 14, 15, snow; 16, 17, mild; 18, 19, 20, clear; 21, 22, 23, north wind; 24, 25, 26, coldest days; 27, variable; 28, 29, cold; 30, 31, mild.

JANUARY.

The New Year.

BEHOLD, the New Year beckons, like a flower
Hid in its roots among the untrodden hills;
God shows thee how its sweetness every hour
Grows only as His breath thy spirit fills!

Behold, the New Year beckons, like
a star,
A splendid mystery of the unfath-
omed skies;
God guide thee through His mystic
spaces far,
Till all His stars as suns within
thee rise!

The New Year beckons. He, too,
beckoning, nears;
Forget not thou that all thy gifts
are His!
Take from His hands all blessings
of the years,
And of the blossoming, starred
eternities!

A Happy New Year!

To all the readers of the
Almanac we send this, our
annual greeting. The past
year, like its predecessors,
has brought its share of joy
and sorrow, which should make
us better prepared to enter on
and live through the new one.
This we can do if we put our
trust in Him, in whose name
and for whose glory we spend it.

A Prayer for the New Year.

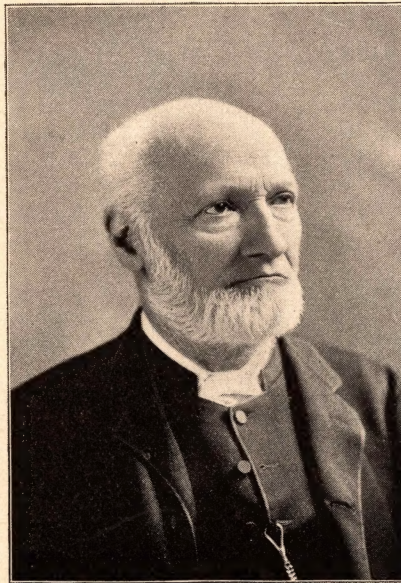
ALMIGHTY and Everlasting God, from Whom
cometh down every good and perfect gift: We give
Thee thanks for all Thy benefits, temporal and
spiritual, bestowed upon us in the year past, and
we beseech Thee of Thy goodness, grant us a favor-
able and joyful year, defend us from all dangers
and adversities, and send upon us the fulness of Thy
blessing; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord,
Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy
Ghost, ever one God, world without end. AMEN.

The Opening Year.

STANDING on the portal
Of the opening year,
Words of comfort meet us,
Hushing every fear;
Spoken through the silence
Of our Father's voice,
Tender, strong, and faithful,
Making us rejoice.
Onward then, and fear not,
Children of the day,
For His word shall never,
Never pass away.

The Safe Channel.

READER, you are sailing on
the sea of life. Will you reach
the harbor of immortality in
safety? You will if you keep
in the safe channel. You need
not know all the sunken rocks
which have wrecked many
voyagers in days that are past,
but you must know the safe
path, and it is set forth in the
words: "He that believeth
shall be saved."



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1894.

Day's Length, 10 hours, 8 minutes.

Day's Length, 10 hours, 24 min.

Day's Length, 10 hours, 40 min.

Day's Length, 10 hours, 58 min.

Conjectures of the Weather.

1, 2, 3, cold; 3, 4, foggy; 5, 6, clear; 7, 8, 9, snow;
10, 11, fair; 12, 13, 14, stormy; 15, 16, cold; 17, 18,
19, fair and cold; 20, 21, snow; 22, 23, 24, clear; 25,
26, variable; 27, 28, rain

(ϕ). Venus is in Inferior conjunction with the Sun on the 16th, and passes from Evening to Morning Star.

FEBRUARY.

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Covetousness is the mother of many sins.

MARCH,

3d Month, 31 Days.

1894.

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Thursday	1 Suidbert	Matt. 24: 1-31	1 43		5 ● in apo. ☐ ♄ ☾ ☾	13 6	25 5 35	9 34
Friday	2 John Wesley	" 24: 32-51	2 41		17 ☽ ☿ ☽. ♄ rises 9 19 e.	12 6	24 5 36	10 14
Saturday	3 Balthilde	" 25:	3 39		0 ☿ rises 3 33 m.	12 6	23 5 37	10 53

9] 4th Sunday in Lent.

John 6: 1-14; Gal. 4: 21-31.

Day's Length, 11 hours, 18 minutes.

Sunday	4 George Wishart	Matt. 26: 1-13	4 28		15 ☿ stationary. ☽ ♀ ☽	12 6	21 5 39	11 24
Monday	5 Thomas Aquinas	" 26: 14-35	5 17		0 ♄ sets 11 42 e.	12 6	20 5 40	12 25
Tuesday	6 Fridolin	" 26: 36-56	6 7		15 ☿ gr. Hel. Lat. N.	12 6	19 5 41	12 55
Wednesday	7 Perpetua	" 26: 57; 27: 1-2	7 20		0 ☿ stationary	11 6	17 5 43	1 22
Thursday	8 Zach. Ursinus	" 27: 3-31	7 20		16 ☽ ♀ ☽. ♀ rises 4 51 m.	11 6	16 5 44	2 11
Friday	9 Cyrillus and Methodias	" 27: 32-50	8 24		0 ♄ rises 8 48 e. ● in ☿	11 6	15 5 45	2 55
Saturday	10 40 Martyrs of Seb.	" 27: 51-55	9 33		16 ☿ rises 3 22	11 6	13 5 47	3 41

10] 5th Sunday in Lent.

John 8: 46-59; Heb. 9: 11-15.

Day's Length, 11 hours, 36 min.

Sunday	11 Wm. Hoseus	John 11:	10 51		0 Castor south 8 10 e.	10 6	12 5 48	4 29
Monday	12 Greg. the Great	" 12:	11 59		14 ☽ ♄ ☽. ♄ sets 11 20 e.	10 6	11 5 49	5 22
Tuesday	13 Rodericus	" 13: 1-30	morn.		27 ☽ ☿ ☽. Sirius ^{south} 7 5 e.	10 6	10 5 50	6 19
Wednesday	14 Matilda	" 13: 31; 14: 1-38	12 43		14. ☽ ☿ ☽. In- terior. ☾	9 6	8 5 52	7 21
Thursday	15 Thos. Cranmer	" 15:	1 32		22 Procyon south 7 50 e.	9 6	7 5 53	8 24
Friday	16 Heribert	" 16:	2 27		4 ♀ rises 4 20 m.	9 6	5 5 55	9 26
Saturday	17 St. Patrick	" 17:	3 20		16 ● in per. ☿ rises 3 14 m.	9 6	4 5 56	10 25

11] Palm Sunday.

John 12: 1-16; Phil. 2: 5-10.

Day's Length, 11 hours, 54 min.

Sunday	18 Alexander of Jerus.	Lam., Jeremiah	4 10		28 ♄ rises 8 9 e.	8 6	3 5 57	11 20
Monday	19 Mary and Martha	Heb. 8:	4 47		10 ♄ sets 10 58 e.	8 6	1 5 59	12 11
Tuesday	20 Ambrose of Sien.	" 9:	5 40		22 ☿ ☿ ☿. Spring Day and begins. night eq.	8 6	0 6 0	12 49
Wednesday	21 Benedict of Nursia.	" 10:	7 rises		4 ☿ ☿ ☿. Rigel sets 10 35 e.	7 5	59 6 1	1 32
Thursday	22 Maundy Thurs.	John 6:	7 40		17 ♀ gr. Brilliancy. ● in ☿	7 5	57 6 3	2 17
Friday	23 Good Friday	Luke 23: 32-49	8 47		29 ☽ ♄ ☽. 7* sets 10 38 e.	7 5	56 6 4	3 16
Saturday	24 Florentius	Heb. 4:	9 58		9 ☽ ☿ ☽. Pollux ^{south} 7 27 e.	6 5	55 6 5	4 3

12] Easter Sunday.

Mark 16: 1-8; Col. 3: 1-11.

Day's Length, 12 hours, 12 min.

Sunday	25 Easter Sunday	Matt. 28:	11 4		22 ♀ rises 3 57 m.	6 5	54 6 6	4 51
Monday	26 Easter Monday	Luke 24: 1-12	11 57		4 ☿ stationary	6 5	53 6 7	5 42
Tuesday	27 Rupertus	Acts 2: 22-47	morn.		16 ♄ sets 10 35 e.	6 5	51 6 9	6 32
Wednesday	28 John v. Goch	1 Cor. 15:	12 25		29 ☿ ☿ ☿. Spica rises 7 23 e.	5 5	50 6 10	7 25
Thursday	29 Eustatius	Rom. 6:	1 7		12 ☿ ☿ ☿. 29. ● in apo. ☿ in ☿	5 5	49 6 11	8 16
Friday	30 John Hurmann	" 8:	2 10		26 ♄ rises 7 17	5 5	47 6 13	9 5
Saturday	31 Ernest the Pious	1 Cor. 3:	2 58		10 ☽ ☿ ☽. ☿ rises 3 0 m.	4 5	46 6 14	9 53

Moon's Phases.

New Moon,	7th,	9 o'clock,	15 minutes,	forenoon.
First Quarter,	14th,	1 "	24 "	afternoon.
Full Moon,	21st,	9 "	7 "	forenoon.
Last Quarter,	29th,	3 "	19 "	morning.

Conjectures of the Weather.

1, 2, 3, clear; 4, 5, misty; 6, 7, snow; 8, 9, fair; 10, 11, cold; 12, 13, cloudy; 14, 15, snow; 16, 17, 18, milder; 19, 20, clear; 21, 22, rain and snow; 23, 24, fair; 25, 26, mild; 27, 28, 29, windy; 30, 31, rain.

MARCH.

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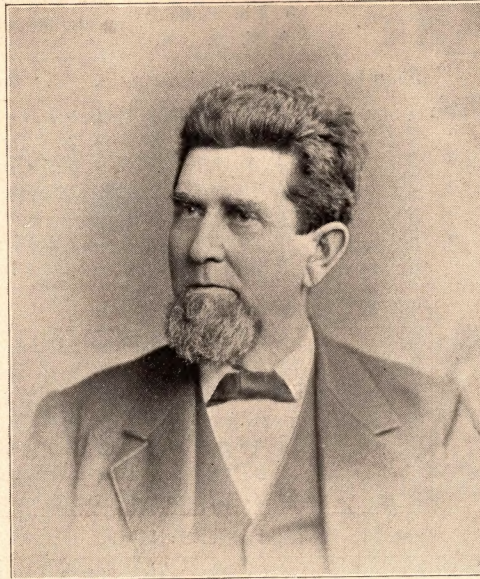
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THE LATE GEORGE W. HENSEL, QUARRYVILLE, PA.
Died December 1st, 1892.

A Member of the Board of Trustees of Franklin and Marshall College, of Theological Seminary, Lancaster, Pa., and of the Publication Board of the Reformed Church in U. S.

FOR EVERYBODY.

EVERYBODY has moods and tenses, so everybody will be interested in the following prescriptions:

If you are impatient, sit down quietly and have a talk with Job.

If you are strong-headed, view Moses.

If you are getting weak-kneed, look at Elijah.

If there is no song in your heart, listen to David.

If you are a policy man, read Daniel.

If you are getting sordid, spend awhile with Isaiah.

If chilly, get the beloved disciple to put his arms around you.

If your faith is below par, read Paul.

If you are getting lazy, watch James.

If you are losing sight of the future, climb up to Revelation and get a glimpse of the promised land.

THE OLD BELL CLAPPER.

SOME people are busied in confessing the sins of their fellows. They are blind to their own weaknesses; never dream of wrongs in their lives; always finding fault with the faults of others. The fable of the "Bell Clapper" is very appropriate to such grumblers. The bell in which this clapper hung had a crack, and it was always complaining of its sad fate of being hung in such a bell. At length the spirit of Diogenes, the old cynic, who could not endure shams, came along; he heard the clapper's complaint, and said: "Before you make any more fuss about the bell, remember two things: First you cracked it yourself, and second, nobody would know that it was cracked if you did not tell them." The moral is plain, but those who need to ponder it will be the last to see it.

APRIL,

4th Month, 30 Days.

1894.

WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON R. & S. H. M. S.	MOON'S PLACE. S. A.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S. SUN RISES SETS M. H. M. H. M.	HIGH WATER PHILA. H. M.
13] 1st Sunday after Easter. John 20: 19-31; 1 John 5: 4-12. Day's Length, 12 hours, 30 minutes.							
Sunday	1 Fritigild	John 1:	3 30		24 ♀ rises 7 9 e	45 45 6 15 10 38	
Monday	2 Theodosia	" 2:	4 8		8 ♀ ♀ ♀. ♀ rises 3 44 m.	45 43 6 17 11 22	
Tuesday	3 Gerb. Tersteegen	" 3:	4 47		24 ♀ ♀ ♀. Procyon ^{south} 6 43 e.	35 42 6 18 12 5	
Wednesday	4 Ambrose	" 4:	5 19		9 ♀ sets 10 9 e.	35 41 6 19 12 49	
Thursday	5 Christ. Scriver	" 5:	7 20		24 ♀ ♀ ♀. Aquarii ⁱⁿ ♄	35 40 6 20 1 13	
Friday	6 Albert Durer	" 6: 1-40	7 20		9 ♀ rises 2 43 m.	35 38 6 22 1 52	
Saturday	7 Olaus Petersen	" 6: 41-71	8 33		24 ♀ rises 6 43 e.	25 37 6 23 2 23	
14] 2d Sunday after Easter. John 10: 11-16; 1 Peter 2: 20-25. Day's Length, 12 hours, 48 min.							
Sunday	8 Martin Chemnitz	John 7:	9 43		8 7* sets 9 14 e.	25 36 6 24 3 16	
Monday	9 Theo. v. Westen	" 8: 1-30	10 48		22 ♀ in Ap- hellon. ♄ ♄ ♄. ♄ ♄ ♄	25 34 6 26 4 13	
Tuesday	10 Fulbert	" 8: 31-50	11 51		6 ♀ in per. ♀ gr. Elong. ♄ rises 4 37 m.	15 33 6 27 5 14	
Wednesday	11 Leo the Great	" 9:	morn.		19 ♀ ♀ ♄. Orion sets 10 53 e.	15 32 6 28 6 18	
Thursday	12 Saba	" 10:	12 48		1 ♀ ♄ ♄. ♄ rises 3 33 m.	15 31 6 29 7 20	
Friday	13 Justin Martyr	" 11:	1 37		13 ♄ sets 9 44 e.	15 29 6 31 8 21	
Saturday	14 John Eccard	" 12:	2 27		25 ♄ rises 2 31 m.	sun 5 28 6 32 9 16	
15] 3d Sunday after Easter. John 16: 16-22; 1 Peter 2: 11-19. Day's Length, 13 hours, 6 min.							
Sunday	15 Simon Dach	John 13; 14:	3 7		7 ♀ south 11 47 e.	fast 5 27 6 33 10 6	
Monday	16 Peter Waldo	" 15:	3 40		19 Regulus south 8 22 e.	05 25 6 35 10 53	
Tuesday	17 Mappalicus	" 16; 17:	4 25		1 Rigel sets 8 59 e.	05 24 6 36 11 39	
Wednesday	18 Luther at Worms	" 18:	4 55		13 ♄ rises 2 24 m. ♄ in ♄	15 23 6 37 12 23	
Thursday	19 Melancthon	" 19:	7 42		25 ♄ ♄ ♄. 19. ♄ ♄ ♄. Aldebaran sets 9 33 e.	15 22 6 38 1 18	
Friday	20 Jno. Bugenhagen	" 20:	7 42		7 ♀ rises 3 26 m. ♄ en- ters ♄	15 21 6 39 1 58	
Saturday	21 Anselm of Cant	" 21:	8 59		19 ♄ ♄ ♄. ♄ sets 9 22 e.	15 20 6 40 2 42	
16] 4th Sunday after Easter, John 16: 5-15; James 1: 16-21. Day's Length, 13 hours, 24 min.							
Sunday	22 Origen	Heb. 1; 2:	9 46		1 ♀ south 11 17 e.	25 18 6 42 3 32	
Monday	23 George of Capp.	" 3; 4:	10 35		13 Arctur south 12 5 m.	25 17 6 43 4 6	
Tuesday	24 Wilfrid	" 5; 6:	11 27		26 ♀ in ♄. Antares rises 9 48 e.	25 16 6 44 4 46	
Wednesday	25 St. Mark, Evang.	" 7:	morn.		9 Sirius sets 9 31 e.	25 15 6 45 5 21	
Thursday	26 Trudpert	" 8:	12 0		22 ♄ rises 2 12 m.	25 14 6 46 6 15	
Friday	27 Otto Catelin	" 9:	12 36		6 ♄ ♄ ♄. 27. ♄ gr. R. ♄ ♄ ♄. 2. L. A. brue.	25 12 6 48 6 52	
Saturday	28 Fred. Myconius	" 10:	1 34		20 ♄ in apo. ♄ sets 9 2 e.	35 11 6 49 7 28	
17] 5th Sunday after Easter, John 16: 23-33; James 1: 22-27. Day's Length, 13 hours, 40 min.							
Sunday	29 L. v. Berquin	Heb. 11:	2 7		4 ♄ ♄ ♄. ♄ gr. Hel. Lat. S.	35 10 6 50 8 1	
Monday	30 Geo. Calixtus	" 12:	2 37		19 ♄ rises 3 16 m.	35 9 6 51 9 10	

Moon's Phases.

New-Moon, 5th, 10 o'clock, 56 minutes, evening.
 First Quarter, 12th, 7 " 29 " "
 Full Moon, 19th, 9 " 58 " "
 Last Quarter, 27th, 10 " 17 " "

Conjectures of the Weather.

1, 2, 3, pleasant; 4, 5, frosty; 6, 7, 8, cloudy; 9, 10, warm; 11, 12, 13, rain with snow; 14, 15, 16, clear; 17, 18, 19, clear and warm; 20, 21, thunder showers; 22, 23, 24, clear; 25, 26, cloudy; 27, 28, 29, fair; 30, variable.

(♄). Saturn is in opposition with the Sun on the 11th, and shines all night.

APRIL.

Zion's Reformed Church, GREENVILLE, PA.

THIS Church was organized in 1860, by Rev. H. F. Hartman, the pastor of the Shenango charge. During the following year a Sunday-school was organized, and about the same time a neat church building was purchased from the Congregationalists.

April 1st, 1865, Rev. C. R. Dieffenbacher, D. D., became the first regular pastor. During the thirteen years of his pastorate the congregation grew from twenty members to nearly two hundred.

June 29th 1878, Rev. F. B. Hahn became pastor, and continued as such for six years. During this time the membership continued to grow, and a considerable sum was raised for a new church.

Dec. 1st, 1884, Rev. S. H. Eisenberg became pastor. During the five years of his pastorate this magnificent church building was erected at a cost of nearly \$20,000.

May 16th, 1890, Rev. A. M. Keifer, the present pastor, was installed. The church is now free of debt, numbers three hundred and sixteen members, and is growing in strength and influence.

Two or three Bible promises taken after each meal will cure the most aggravated form of spiritual dyspepsia known.



The Synod of Pittsburg met in this Church, September 27th, 1893.



REV. A. M. KEIFER, PASTOR.

Home Happiness.

ALL our earthly pleasures are mockery in comparison to the contentment of a loving family circle. Other joys may last for a day, and excite our interest for the time, but they fade away and leave us unsatisfied. While they are present we feel not the emptiness of this excitement, but with their vanishing our hearts hunger for the blessings which home alone can give. Even they who have never known what it is to have loving hearts welcome them on the threshold, and loving hands minister to their comfort, know that these are life's most precious gifts, and thirst for a draught from the cup of peace.

THE MINISTER'S SALARY.

PAY that preacher's salary in full. Save your Church and yourself the disgrace of a deficit on that claim. Pay every dollar of it if it costs you a sacrifice. Why should you not make a sacrifice? The sacrificing element is the sanctifying element in gifts. Giving your mere surplus or what you can spare without pain amounts to little or nothing. Give deep down until self-denial is touched, and you will feel a joy and a power you never knew before in giving.

MAY,

5th Month, 31 Days.

1894.

WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON R. & S. H. M.	MOON'S PLACE. S. A.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S. F. RISES SETS H. M.	SUN RISES SETS H. M.	HIGH WATER PHILA. H. M.
Tuesday	1 Philip and James	Heb. 13:	2 56		2 6 ♀ D. Sirius sets 9 10 e. ☾	3 5	8 6 52	9 57
Wednesday	2 Athanasius	John 14:	3 24		17 ♀ rises 1 56 m.	3 5	7 6 53	10 46
Thursday	3 Ascension Day	Eph. 4:	3 47		3 8 ☿ ☾. 7* sets 8 24 in ♍	3 5	6 6 54	11 43
Friday	4 Florian	John 15:	4 13		18 6 ♀ D. Spica south 10 34	3 5	4 6 56	12 40
Saturday	5 Fred'k the Wise	" 16:	D sets		2 15. ♀ south 10 23 e.	3 5	3 6 57	1 22

18] 6th Sunday after Easter.

John 15: 26; 16; 1 Peter 4: 7-11.

Day's Length, 13 hours, 56 minutes.

Sunday	6 John of Damasc.	1 John 1:	8 40		16 6 ♀ D. 2 8 46 e.	4 5	2 6 58	2 5
Monday	7 Flav. Domitilla	" 2:	9 45		0 ● in per. south 11 10 e. ☾	4 5	1 6 59	2 47
Tuesday	8 Stanislaus	" 3:	10 51		17 ♀ rises 2 55 m.	4 5	0 7 0	3 29
Wednesday	9 Greg. Mazianzen	" 4:	11 54		27 Orion sets 9 6 e.	4 4	5 9 7	1 4 15
Thursday	10 John Heuglin	" 5:	morn.		9 Antares south 1 13 m.	4 4	5 8 7	2 4 58
Friday	11 John Arndt	Joel 3:	12 37		21 ♀ gr. Hel. Lat. N.	4 4	5 7 7	3 5 47
Saturday	12 Meletius	John 17:	1 20		3 12. ♀ south 9 54 e.	4 4	5 6 7	4 6 42

19] Whit Sunday or Pentecost.

John 14: 15-31; Acts 2: 1-11.

Day's Length, 14 hours, 10 min.

Sunday	13 Whit Sunday	Gal. 3; 4: 1-7	1 52		15 ♀ rises 1 38 m.	4 4	5 5 7	5 7 38
Monday	14 Whit Monday	" 5:	2 22		27 ♀ rises 2 54 m.	4 4	5 4 7	6 8 35
Tuesday	15 Moses	Rom. 12:	2 49		9 ♀ sets 8 20 e. ● in ♍	4 4	5 3 7	7 9 29
Wednesday	16 Ember Day	1 Cor. 13:	3 19		21 6 ♀ D. Procyon sets 10 19 e.	4 4	5 2 7	8 10 22
Thursday	17 Joachim of Flor.	Rom. 6: 9; 7:	3 49		3 Spica south 9 38 e.	4 4	5 1 7	9 11 20
Friday	18 80 Marts. with Val.	" 8:	4 19		15 6 ♀ D. ♀ in ♎. Librae south 10 58 e.	4 4	5 1 7	9 12 23
Saturday	19 Alcuin	2 Cor. 5:	D rises		27 19. ♀ south 9 58 e.	4 4	5 0 7	10 1 39

20] Trinity Sunday.

John 3: 1-15; Rev. 4: 1-11.

Day's Length, 14 hours, 22 min.

Sunday	20 Val. Herberger	Acts 1; 2:	8 32		10 6 ♀ ☾ Superior	4 4	4 9 7	11 2 25
Monday	21 Constantine	" 3:	9 23		23 ☾ enters ♏	4 4	4 8 7	12 3 15
Tuesday	22 Castus and Amelius	" 4:	10 16		6 ♀ rises 1 19 m.	4 4	4 8 7	12 4 10
Wednesday	23 Jerome Savona	" 5:	11 7		19 ● in apo. ♀ gr. Brilliancy	4 4	4 7 7	13 4 51
Thursday	24 Corpus Christi	" 6:	11 46		3 ♀ rises 2 45 m.	4 4	4 6 7	14 5 46
Friday	25 Augustine	" 7:	morn.		17 Rigel sets 7 25 e.	3 4	4 5 7	15 6 36
Saturday	26 Beda Venerabilis	" 8:	12 10		1 6 ♀ ♀. 6 ♀ ♀	3 4	4 4 7	16 7 29

21] 1st Sunday after Trinity.

Luke 16: 19-31; John 4: 7-21.

Day's Length, 14 hours, 34 min.

Sunday	27 John Calvin	1 Pet. 1-10	12 41		15 27. Regulus sets 12 27 m.	3 4	4 3 7	17 8 20
Monday	28 Lanfranc	Acts 10:	1 8		29 6 ♀ D. ♀ in Aphelion	3 4	4 3 7	17 9 10
Tuesday	29 David Zeisberger	" 11:	1 38		13 ♀ rises 1 2 m.	3 4	4 2 7	18 10 5
Wednesday	30 Memorial Day	" 12:	2 0		27 ♀ south 8 40 e. ● in ♎	3 4	4 1 7	19 10 49
Thursday	31 Joachim Neander	1 Pet. 2: 11; 3: 1-17	2 29		12 6 ♀ D. ♀ rises 2 39 m.	3 4	4 1 7	19 11 30

Moon's Phases.

New Moon,	5th,	9 o'clock,	38 minutes,	forenoon.
First Quarter,	12th,	1	17	noon.
Full Moon,	19th,	11	39	forenoon.
Last Quarter,	27th,	3	1	morning.

Conjectures of the Weather.

1, 2, clear; 3, 4, 5, rain; 6, 7, 8, warm; 9 thunder showers; 10, 11, clear; 12, 13, showers; 14, 15, 16, warm; 17, 18, 19, rainy; 20, 21, clear; 22, 23, warm; 24, 25, 26, cloudy; 27, 28, 29, rain; 30, 31, pleasant.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

THE Board of Foreign Missions is constituted as follows: — *President*, Rev. Jas. I. Good, D. D.; *Vice-President*, Rev. J. H. Prugh, D. D.; *Secretary*, Rev. S. N. Callender, D. D.; *Treasurer*, Elder Jas. L. Lemberger; Revs. A. R. Bartholomew, P. Greding, D. D., J. Dahlgman, D. D., J. S. Kieffer, D. D., C. R. Dieffenbacher, D. D.; Elders, B. Kuhns, J. Y. Dietz and J. Z. Gerhard, M. D.

The work in Japan is going forward with the most inspiring success. The educational policy adopted seven years ago has reached its fruitage. The primary aim is to raise up a native ministry, and to nurture girls into a Christian womanhood, and secondarily, to train up a Christian laity, both male and female. Our two schools are of the proportions of colleges, and in the summer of 1893 the first-class, of four students in each school, reached graduation. The whole number of students in the Tohoku Gakuin during the last year was 179. Of these 96 are Christians, 52 of whom are candidates for the ministry, and 39 seekers. There are 22 students in the Theological Department. Several of these are already engaged in regular evangelistic work.

In the Girls' School, there were 58 scholars during the year, 51 at the close of the term, 22 of whom are Christians. Two were baptized, and 8 were catechumens. This school has already produced one Bible woman, and two of the late graduates are ready to enter upon such Christian work as the mission may assign them. The two Misses Poorbaugh retired permanently from the mission in July, 1893, and Rev. Dr. J. P. Moore and his wife, for the time being, have taken their places. This school is under the control of the



MISS YOSHIDA MISAO, OF SENDAI, JAPAN.

Mrs. Hoy's Bible Woman. The patron of the Missionary Societies of the Water Street Charge
Rev. C. U. Heilman, pastor.

mission, of which all the regular American Missionaries, both male and female, are members.

The ingathering of souls continues encouraging, and the future growth of the work depends upon the increased liberality of the home church.

THE LOWEST PLACE.

GIVE me the lowest place, not that I dare
Ask for that lowest place,
but Thou hast died,
That I might live and share
Thy glory by Thy side.

Give me the lowest place; or
if for me
That lowest place too high,
make one more low,
Where I may sit and see
My God, and love Thee so.

LESSON HELPS FOR OUR SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

THE lesson helps are now published under the auspices of the Sunday-school Board of the General Synod. The same lessons and comments are used all over the Church, East and West, North and South. There is a great improvement in them over those formerly published. They consequently are calculated to aid greatly; teachers and scholars, in the study of their lessons. Teachers have the *Heidelberg Teacher* for their use. The large scholars have the *Scholars' Quarterly* and the *Advanced Lesson Papers*, whilst the infant scholars have the *Primary Lesson Paper* for their use. The comments upon the lessons are from the standpoint of the Church, and consequently the *Helps* containing them are the only proper ones for Sunday-schools of the Reformed Church to use. This should claim the attention of officers of the Sunday-schools of the Church. Reformed Schools should use nothing else.

JUNE,

6th Month, 30 Days.

1894.

WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON R. & S. H. M. S. A.	MOON'S PLACE. S. A.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S. Fs. M. H. M. H. M.	SUN RISES SETS H. M. H. M.	HIGH WATER PHILA. H. M.
Friday	1 F. J. Oberlin	1 Pet. 3: 18; 4: 1-17	2 59	♏ 28	♄ ♃ ♄. ♄ rises 12 57	3 4	40 7 20	12 3
Saturday	2 Pothimus and Blandina	" 4: 17; 5:	3 21	♏ 10	♄ gr. Hel. Lat. N.	2 4	40 7 20	12 49
22] 2d Sunday after Trinity. Luke 14: 16-24; 1 John 3: 13-24. Day's Length, 14 hours, 42 minutes.								
Sunday	3 Chotilde	2 Pet. 1: 11	♏ sets 24	♏ 3.	♄ ♃ ♄. ♄ ♃ ♄	2 4	39 7 21	1 30
Monday	4 Quirinus	" 1: 12; 2: 3	8 37	♏ 8	♄ ♃ ♄. ♄ ♃ ♄	2 4	39 7 21	2 19
Tuesday	5 Boniface	James 2:	9 40	♏ 21	● in per. ♄ sets 2 1 m.	2 4	39 7 21	3 6
Wednesday	6 Morbert	" 3:	10 44	♏ 4	Arcturus south 9 8 e.	2 4	38 7 22	3 49
Thursday	7 Paul Gerhardt	" 4:	11 21	♏ 17	♀ rises 2 32 m.	2 4	38 7 22	4 30
Friday	8 A. H. Franke	" 5:	11 52	♏ 29	Procyon sets 8 45 e.	1 4	37 7 23	5 27
Saturday	9 Barnabas	Jude	morn.	♏ 11	♄ rises 12 36 m.	1 4	37 7 23	6 21
23] 3d Sunday after Trinity. Luke 15: 1-10; 1 Peter 5: 6-11. Day's Length, 14 hours, 46 min.								
Sunday	10 Fdk. Barbarossa	Acts 13: 1-12	12 17	♏ 23	♏ 10. Castor sets 10 17 e.	1 4	37 7 23	7 14
Monday	11 Barnabas	" 13: 13-52	12 40	♏ 5	♏ Wega south 1 16 m. ● in ♄	1 4	36 7 24	8 8
Tuesday	12 Renata	" 14:	1 0	♏ 19	♄ ♃ ♄. ♄ sets 1 32 m.	1 4	36 7 24	8 57
Wednesday	13 Isaac Le Febvre	" 15:	1 19	♏ 27	♀ rises 2 26 m.	0 4	36 7 24	9 46
Thursday	14 Basil	" 16:	1 40	♏ 11	♄ ♃ ♄. Pollux sets 9 53 e.	0 4	36 7 24	10 36
Friday	15 W. Wilberforce	" 17: 1-14	2 3	♏ 23	Antares south 10 46 e.	sun	4 35 7 25	11 29
Saturday	16 R. Baxter	" 17: 15; 18: 11	2 30	♏ 6	♄ rises 12 18 m.	sun	4 35 7 25	12 27
24] 4th Sunday after Trinity. Luke 6: 36-42; Rom. 8: 18-23. Day's Length, 14 hours, 50 min.								
Sunday	17 John Tauler	1 Thess. 1:	3 3	♏ 19	♏ 18. Altair 8 58 e.	0 4	35 7 25	1 18
Monday	18 Pamphilus	" 2: 1-16	♏ rises 2	♏ 2	♏ 18. Altair 11 58 e.	0 4	35 7 25	1 58
Tuesday	19 Council at Nice	" 2: 17; 3:	8 59	♏ 15	♀ rises 2 22 m.	1 4	35 7 25	2 35
Wednesday	20 27 Martyrs	" 4:	9 50	♏ 29	● in apo. ♄ sets 1 3 m.	1 4	35 7 25	3 15
Thursday	21 Matt. Claudius	" 5:	10 26	♏ 13	♏ enters ♄. Summer Begins Longest Day.	1 4	35 7 25	3 55
Friday	22 Gottschalk	2 Thess. 1: 2: 1-12	10 48	♏ 27	♄ stationary	1 4	35 7 25	4 47
Saturday	23 Gottfried Arnold	" 2: 13; 3:	11 9	♏ 11	♄ gr. Elong. East. ♄ sets 8 15 e.	2 4	35 7 25	5 43
25] 5th Sunday after Trinity. Luke 5: 1-11; 1 Peter 3: 8-15. Day's Length, 14 hours, 50 min.								
Sunday	24 John Baptist	Gal. 1: 1-10	11 32	♏ 26	Regulus sets 10 29 e.	2 4	35 7 25	6 40
Monday	25 Augsburg Conf.	Acts 18: 12; 19: 1-10	11 56	♏ 10	♄ in ♄. 7* rises 1 58 m.	2 4	35 7 25	7 10
Tuesday	26 J. Val. Andreae	Gal. 1. 11; 2: 1-14	morn.	♏ 24	♏ 26. ♄ ♃ ♄. ● in ♄	2 4	35 7 25	7 58
Wednesday	27 Seven Sleepers	" 2: 15; 3: 1-14	12 14	♏ 8	♄ rises 11 1 m.	3 4	35 7 25	8 48
Thursday	28 Irenaeus	" 3: 15	12 39	♏ 23	Wega south 12 4 m.	3 4	35 7 25	9 31
Friday	29 Peter and Paul	" 4:	1 9	♏ 6	♄ sets 12 27 m.	3 4	36 7 24	10 29
Saturday	30 Raymond Lully	" 5; 6:	1 47	♏ 20	♄ ♃ ♄. ♄ rises 2 18 m.	3 4	36 7 24	11 23

Moon's Phases.

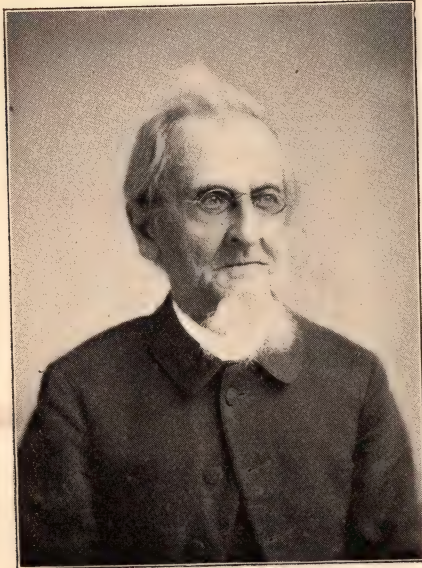
New Moon, 3d, 5 o'clock, 5 minutes, evening.
 First Quarter, 10th, 8 " 10 " morning.
 Full Moon, 18th, 2 " 3 " "
 Last Quarter, 26th, 4 " 59 " "

Conjectures of the Weather.

1, 2, 3, fair; 4, 5, thunder gusts; 6, 7, 8, fair; 9, 10, cloudy; 11, 12, variable; 13, 14, 15, fair; 16, 17, 18, cool showers; 19, 20, clear and cool; 21, 22, 23, fair; 24, 25, cloudy; 26, 27, 28, rain; 29, 30, fair and warm.

(2). Jupiter is in conjunction with the Sun on the 4th. and cannot be seen.

JUNE.



R. DUENGER, D. D.

Ashland, Pa., aged 87 years. The oldest minister in the Reformed Church.



NATHAN C. SCHAEFFER, PH. D.

Superintendent of Public Instruction of Pennsylvania.
Appointed April 18th, 1893.

BENEFICIARY EDUCATION.

THE Church has her Boards of Education, whose duty it is to receive funds and devote them toward aiding pious young men in their preparation for the Gospel Ministry.

Each of the Synods has its Board. That of the Eastern Synod is known as the Parent Board.

Funds are needed by all of them. Were large amounts at their command, the number of young men in our institutions, preparing for the ministry, would be much greater.

The attention of those who would thus further the cause of Christ, by giving of their means with which the Lord has prospered them, is called to this sacred cause, committed to the several Boards of Education. For the addresses of the several Treasurers, see—WHERE TO SEND CHURCH MONEY.

“It is good for me to draw near to God.”
Good for my weak faith; good for my troubled heart; good for my doubting soul; good for my peace, my joy, and my hope.

THE MISSIONARY GUARDIAN.

THIS Magazine is for our whole Church. It is devoted to the interest of Missions, Home and Foreign, and is under the editorial supervision of the Boards of the Church, with Chas. G. Fisher, D. D., as Managing Editor, with the following assistants: D. S. Fouse, D. D., and S. N. Callender, D. D. It also has a department in the interests of Woman's Missionary Society, which is in charge of Miss Rebecca Hamilton Schively, Secretary of W. M. S. G. S. It contains twenty-four pages, and is issued monthly at 50 cents a year. It is published by the Reformed Church Publication House, 907 Arch Street, Philadelphia.

Every one interested in missions should be a subscriber. The missionary societies of the Church should take an active part in its circulation.

Send to the publishers for specimen copies. Encourage this new enterprise in behalf of the great work of missions.

JULY,

7th Month, 31 Days.

1894.

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26] 6th Sunday after Trinity. Matt. 5: 20-26; Rom. 6: 3-11. Day's Length, 14 hours, 48 minutes.								
Sunday	1 H. Voes and J. Esch	1 Cor. 1:	2 40	3	♄ ♃ ♄. ♄ ♃ ♄	3 4 36 7 24 12 12		
Monday	2 Visit Virgin Mary	" 2:	3 24	16	♄ gr. Hel. Lat. N.	4 4 36 7 24 1 25		
Tuesday	3 Otto Bishop	" 3; 4: 1-4	♄ sets	28	♄ ♃ ♄. ♄ in per. ♄ in Aphelion	4 4 37 7 23 2 6		
Wednesday	4 Independence	" 4: 5; 5: 1-8	9 16	13	♄ ♃ ♄. ♄ sets 12 8 m.	4 4 37 7 23 2 46		
Thursday	5 Lord Cobham	" 5: 9; 6:	9 52	26	♄ in Aphelion	4 4 37 7 23 3 46		
Friday	6 John Huss	" 7:	10 16	8	♄ stationary	4 4 38 7 22 4 41		
Saturday	7 Willibald	" 8; 9:	10 40	20	♄ rises 11 25 e.	4 4 38 7 22 5 30		
27] 7th Sunday after Trinity. Mark 8: 1-9; Rom. 6: 19-23. Day's Length, 14 hours, 42 min.								
Sunday	8 Kilian	1 Cor. 10; 11: 1	11 4	2	♄ rises 2 17 m. ♄ in 8	5 4 39 7 21 6 17		
Monday	9 Ephraim the Syr.	" 11: 2	11 29	14	♄ ♃ ♄. ♄ sets 11 46 e.	5 4 39 7 21 7 1		
Tuesday	10 Wm. of Orange	" 12: 30	11 51	26	♄ ♃ ♄. Antares south 9 4 e.	5 4 40 7 20 7 46		
Wednesday	11 Placidus	" 12: 31; 13:	morn.	7	♄ ♃ ♄. Dog Days Begin	5 4 40 7 20 8 31		
Thursday	12 Henry II.	" 14:	12 12	19	♄ ♃ ♄. Arctur sets 1 54 m.	5 4 41 7 19 9 18		
Friday	13 Eugenius	" 15: 1-34	12 38	1	♄ rises 2 41 m.	5 4 41 7 19 10 7		
Saturday	14 Bonaventura	" 15: 35; 16:	1 27	14	Altair south 12 10 m.	5 4 42 7 18 10 58		
28] 8th Sunday after Trinity. Matt. 7: 15-21; Rom. 8: 12-17. Day's Length, 14 hours, 34 min.								
Sunday	15 Ansvr	Acts 19: 11; 20:	2 20	27	♄ rises 11 11 e.	6 4 43 7 17 11 50		
Monday	16 Anna Askew	2 Cor. 1: 1-22	3 17	11	♄ ♃ ♄. ♄ rises 2 21 m. ♄ in apo. ♄ sets 9 e.	6 4 43 7 17 12 42		
Tuesday	17 Speratus and 11 Co.	" 1: 23; 2:	♄ rises	25	♄ ♃ ♄. ♄ in apo. ♄ sets 9 e.	6 4 44 7 16 1 18		
Wednesday	18 Arnulf	" 3; 4: 1-16	8 23	9	♄ sets 11 18 e.	6 4 45 7 15 2 8		
Thursday	19 Louisa Henrietta	" 4: 7; 5: 10	8 50	23	♄ stationary. Markab south 3 9 m.	6 4 46 7 14 3 4		
Friday	20 John Marteilhe	" 5: 11; 6: 7: 1	9 13	7	♄ ♃ ♄. ♄ ♃ ♄ Inferior	6 4 46 7 14 3 46		
Saturday	21 Eberhard	" 7: 2	9 38	22	♄ rises 2 16	6 4 47 7 13 4 27		
29] 9th Sunday after Trinity. Luke 16: 1-9; 1 Cor. 10: 1-13. Day's Length, 14 hours, 24 min.								
Sunday	22 Mary Magdalene	2 Cor. 8:	10 4	7	♄ enters ♄	6 4 48 7 12 5 8		
Monday	23 Godfr. v. Hamele	" 9:	10 27	21	♄ ♃ ♄. ♄ rises 2 25 m. ♄ in ♄	6 4 49 7 11 5 59		
Tuesday	24 Thos. A. Kempis	" 10:	10 49	5	♄ ♃ ♄. ♄ in apo. ♄ sets 3 57 m.	6 4 50 7 10 6 33		
Wednesday	25 St. James the Elder	" 11:	11 15	19	♄ ♃ ♄. ♄ sets 10 45 e.	6 4 50 7 10 7 20		
Thursday	26 Christopher	" 12: 1-18	11 45	3	♄ gr. Hel. Lat. S. ♄ in Peri-helion	6 4 51 7 9 8 14		
Friday	27 Raym. Palmarius	" 12: 19; 13:	morn.	16	♄ rises 10 44 e.	6 4 52 7 8 9 12		
Saturday	28 John Seb. Bach.	Acts 20: 1-13	12 19	29	♄ ♃ ♄ Geminor	6 4 53 7 7 10 12		
30] 10th Sunday after Trinity. Luke 19: 41-47; 1 Cor. 12: 1-11. Day's Length, 14 hours, 12 min.								
Sunday	29 Olaus	Rom. 1: 1-17	1 10	13	♄ ♃ ♄. ♄ rises 1 28 m. ♄	6 4 54 7 6 11 18		
Monday	30 Jacob Wessele	" 1: 18-31	2 12	26	♄ ♃ ♄. ♄ rises 2 28 m.	6 4 55 7 5 12 15		
Tuesday	31 John Cas. Schade	" 2:	3 24	9	♄ in per. ♄ stationary.	6 4 56 7 4 12 48		

Moon's Phases.

New Moon,	3d, 12 o'clock, 42 minutes, morning.
First Quarter,	9th, 5 " 11 " evening.
Full Moon,	17th, 4 " 59 " "
Last Quarter,	25th, 4 " 3 " "

Conjectures of the Weather.

1, 2, fair; 3, variable; 4, 5, thunder gusts; 6, 7, 8, pleasant; 9, 10, 11, clear and warm; 12, 13, cloudy; 14, 15, 16, rain; 17, 18, 19, fair; 20, 21, cloudy; 22, 23, rain; 24, 25, fair; 26, warm; 27, 28, 29, warmest days; 30, 31, fair and showers.

Trinity Reformed Church, GETTYSBURG, PA.

Prior to 1834 the history of this congregation is largely involved in obscurity. No records seem to have been kept; but from tradition and other more or less reliable sources, it is clear that it was organized as early as 1790. In 1811, a union Church—Reformed and Lutheran—was built. Who were the pastors; what were the strength and standing of the congregation, from the date of organization to the time of the building of the Church, and from that time to 1834, are matters that cannot now be determined. About the year 1850, the congregation bought the Lutheran interest. In 1851 the old Church was taken down and a new one erected upon the old site. This was a very plain building with two Sunday-school rooms and a seating capacity for about 450 people.

During, and for some time after, the battle, July 1st, 2d and 3d, 1863, this building was used as a hospital, and was so much injured that it had to be extensively repaired. In it the congregation worshiped until 1890, when it was changed and remodeled, and is now one of the most commodious and beautiful churches in Adams county. From the time when an authentic history of the congregation begins,



The Synod of the Potomac met in this Church, October 17th, 1893.



REV. T. J. BARKLEY, PASTOR.

the names of nine pastors appear upon the records, to wit: David Bossler, Benjamin S. Schneck, Samuel Gutelius, E. V. Gerhart, Jacob Ziegler, T. P. Bucher, W. R. H. Deatrich, Moses Kieffer, and the present incumbent, T. J. Barkley.

FAMILY PRAYER.

The prayer of the family is to be—not form or decent ceremony, but—real, humble, trustful service in which, guided by the word and Spirit of God, the family brings the details of actual life with becoming fervor before the Divine and all-ruling Father with gratitude, submission, hope, confidence, and in which the weak

human souls take hold together on infinite strength. He honors them that honor Him. He dwells with them who invite His presence. That presence lightens the gloom of life, and brightens all its joys. His blessing gives that safe prosperity with which no sorrow is linked, as it is sure to be where he is ignored in unblest prosperity. O, men and brethren whom God has placed at the head of families, where he gives you homes, be sure that you set up altars!—*Rev. John Hall.*

AIM to be happy five minutes at a time, and you will be surprised to find how easy it will come to rejoice all day.

AUGUST,

8th Month, 31 Days.

1894.

WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON R. & S. H. M. S.	MOON'S PLACE. S. A.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S. SI. RISES SETS M. H. M. H. M.	SUN RISES SETS M. H. M. H. M.	HIGH WATER PHILA. H. M.
Wednesday	1 Maccabees	Rom. 3:	☾ sets	21	♄ 1. Altair ^{south} 11 00 e. ☾	6 4 57 7 3	1 58	
Thursday	2 Mar. Under Nero	" 4:	8 19	3	♄ rises 10 28 c.	6 4 58 7 2	2 27	
Friday	3 Wm. Thorp	" 5: 1-11	8 44	15	♄ ♄ ☾. Sirius rises 4 34 m.	6 4 59 7 1	3 14	
Saturday	4 Leonard Kiser	" 5: 12-21	9 2	27	♄ rises 1 22 m.	6 5 07 0 4	8	

31] 11th Sunday after Trinity.

Luke 18: 9-14; 1 Cor. 15: 1-11.

Day's Length, 13 hours, 58 minutes.

Sunday	5 Transfiguration	Rom. 6:	9 33	9	☾ rises 2 31 m. ● in ☾	6 5 16 59	4 55	
Monday	6 Salzbg'g Evang.	" 7:	9 56	21	♄ ♄ ☾. ♄ sets 9 59 e.	6 5 26 58	5 41	
Tuesday	7 Nonna	" 8: 1-15	10 24	3	♄ ♄ ☾. ♄ rises 11 16 e.	5 5 36 57	6 17	
Wednesday	8 Hormisdas	" 8: 16-39	10 53	15	♄ 8. ♄ ♄ ♄ Geminor	5 5 46 56	7 14	
Thursday	9 Numidicus	" 9: 1-13	11 37	27	♄ gr. ♄ rises 4 45 m.	5 5 56 55	8 6	
Friday	10 Laurentius	" 9: 14-33	morn.	9	♄ rises 10 6 e.	5 5 66 54	8 54	
Saturday	11 Greg. of Utrecht	" 10:	12 20	22	♄ rises 1 11 m.	5 5 76 53	9 46	

32] 12th Sunday after Trinity.

Mark 7: 31-37; 2 Cor. 3: 4-11.

Day's Length, 13 hours, 44 min.

Sunday	12 Ans. of Har'lb'g	Rom. 11:	1 11	5	☾ rises 2 53 m. ☾	5 5 86 52	10 28	
Monday	13 C'nt of Zinzendorf	" 12:	2 8	19	● in apo. Orion rises 1 51 m.	5 5 96 51	11 28	
Tuesday	14 James Guthrie	" 13:	3 19	3	♄ in ☾. Polaris ^{south} 3 42 m.	4 5 106 50	12 0	
Wednesday	15 Virgin Mary	" 14:	4 20	18	☾ ♄ in ☾. ♄ sets 9 25 e.	4 5 116 49	1 0	
Thursday	16 John of Saxony	" 15: 1-13	☾ rises	2	♄ 16. ♄ rises 9 47 e.	4 5 126 48	1 48	
Friday	17 John Gerhard	" 15: 14	7 49	17	♄ rises 12 51 m.	4 5 136 47	2 26	
Saturday	18 Hugo Grotius	" 16: 33	8 4	2	♄ in Perihelion	4 5 156 45	3 6	

33] 13th Sunday after Trinity.

Luke 10: 33-37; Gal. 3: 16-22.

Day's Length, 13 hours, 28 min.

Sunday	19 Sebalus	Acts 20:	8 25	17	♄ gr. Brilliancy. ☾ in ☾	3 5 166 44	3 44	
Monday	20 Bernard of Clair	" 21:	8 45	1	Archernon south 3 38 m.	3 5 176 43	4 31	
Tuesday	21 1st Morv. Miss.	" 22; 23:	9 6	15	♄ ♄ ☾. Libræ sets 9 47 e	3 5 186 42	5 16	
Wednesday	22 Symphorianus	" 24: 25:	9 36	29	☾ rises 3 13 m.	3 5 206 40	6 5	
Thursday	23 Gasp. de Coligny	" 26:	10 11	13	☾ enters ♄	2 5 216 39	6 59	
Friday	24 Bartholomew	" 27:	11 10	26	♄ 24. ♄ sets 8 52 e.	2 5 226 38	7 40	
Saturday	25 Louis IX.	" 28:	morn	10	♄ ♄ ☾. Capella rises 1 11 m.	2 5 236 37	8 37	

34] 14th Sunday after Trinity.

Luke 17: 11-19; Gal. 5: 16-24.

Day's Length, 13 hours, 12 min.

Sunday	26 Ulfilas	Eph. 1: 1-14	12 8	23	♄ ♄ ☾. ♄ rises 12 22 m.	2 5 246 36	9 36	
Monday	27 Jovinian	" 1: 15; 2: 1-10	1 16	5	Rigel rises 12 15 m.	1 5 266 34	10 33	
Tuesday	28 Aug. of Hippo	" 2: 11; 3:	2 32	18	♄ ♄ ☾. ♄ rises 3 25 m.	1 5 276 33	11 29	
Wednesday	29 John Baptist B'd	" 4: 1-17	3 25	0	● in per. ♄ gr. Hel. Lat. N.	1 5 286 32	12 9	
Thursday	30 Claude of Turin	" 4: 18	☾ sets	12	♄ 30. ♄ ♄ ☾. Dog Days End	sun 5 296 31	1 14	
Friday	31 Aidan	" 5: 6: 1-9	7 9	24	♄ rises 9 0 e.	fast 5 316 29	1 59	

Moon's Phases.

New Moon,	1st,	7 o'clock,	20 minutes,	morning.
First Quarter,	8th,	6 "	2 "	"
Full Moon,	16th,	8 "	13 "	forenoon.
Last Quarter,	24th,	12 "	36 "	morning.
New Moon,	30th,	3 "	1 "	afternoon.

Conjectures of the Weather.

1, 2, windy and rain; 3, 4, 5, clear; 6, 7, fair; 8, 9, rain; 10, 11, 12, clear and warm; 13, 14, cloudy; 15, 16, 17, variable; 18, 19, rain; 20, 21, cloudy; 22, 23, 24, 25, fair; 26, 27, variable; 28, 29, rain; 30, 31, fair.

AUGUST.

A Trio of the Treasurers of the Reformed Church in the United States.



JOS. L. LEMBERGER,
LEBANON, PA.

Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions.

JOHN J. NISSLEY,
HUMMELSTOWN, PA.

Treasurer of Bi-Synodic Board of Missions.

CHRISTIAN M. BOUSH,
MEADVILLE, PA.

Treasurer of Church Extension, Board of
Missions General Synod.

Board of Home Missions of General Synod.

THIS Board has under its care all the English missions of the Church. The Board as re-organized at the General Synod at Reading, consists of the following members: Revs. J. A. Peters, D. D., E. R. Eschbach, D. D., J. H. Sechler, D. D., J. J. Leberman, D. D., S. B. Yockey, D. D., J. Bachman, D. D., T. J. Barkley and C. F. Kriete, and Elders C. M. Boush, H. C. Hoover, J. T. Reber and Horace Aukeny.

The Executive Committee is constituted as follows: Rev. J. A. Peters, *Pres't*, Rev. T. J. Barkley, *Sec'y*, Revs. S. B. Yockey, D. D., J. J. Leberman, D. D., and Elder C. M. Boush. Elder Boush is also the *Treasurer* of the Church Extension Department.

The unification of the mission work under one Board was a forward movement of vast importance.

The good effect of the movement can already be noticed. There are now, including the Harbor Mission in New York, eighty-seven missions under the direct care of the Board. Those under the control of the German synods make the whole number over one hundred and thirty. Eight missions became self-supporting during the year. For the ensuing year, 1894, no less a sum than \$40,000 will be required to carry forward the work. The Harbor Mission in New York is doing a good work. For this purpose General Synod apportioned \$3000 on the Church for the triennial term.

The Hungarian work is progressing. A third missionary will soon be on the ground. A kind and benevolent citizen of Pittsburgh gave \$500 recently towards the salary of an additional missionary for that city. But much more is needed. The Church should come up bravely to the help of the Board in this great work.

SEPTEMBER,

9th Month, 30 Days.








1894.

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Saturday	1 Anna	Eph. 6: 10	7 33		6 Wega south 7 48  in 	0 5	32 6 28	2 30

35] 15th Sunday after Trinity.

Matt. 6: 24-34; Gal. 5: 25; 6: 10.







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Sunday	2 Mamas	Col. 1:	7 58		18	♂ ♀ ♄. ♀ sets 8 19 e.	15 33 6 27	3 14
Monday	3 Hildegard	" 2; 3: 1-4	8 24		0	♂ ♀ ☉ Superior	15 34 6 26	3 54
Tuesday	4 Ida v. Herzfeld	" 3: 5; 4:	8 53		12	♂ ♀ ☉. ♀ rises 8 56 e.	15 36 6 24	4 36
Wednesday	5 John Mollio	Philemon	9 32		24	♂ ♀ rises 11 50 e.	15 37 6 23	5 23
Thursday	6 Martin Weibel	Philip. 1: 1-26	10 21		6	♂ ♀ rises 3 48 m.	25 39 6 21	6 18
Friday	7 Laz. Spengler	" 1: 27; 2:	11 12		17	7* rises 9 8 e.	25 40 6 20	6 57
Saturday	8 Corbinian	" 3; 4:	morn.		0	Spica sets 7 36 e.	25 41 6 19	7 34

36] 16th Sunday after Trinity.

Luke 7: 11-17; Eph. 3: 13-21.








Day's Length, 12 hours, 36 min.

Sunday	9 Luigi Resquali	1 Tim. 1:	12 44		13	♂ sets 7 43 e.	35 42 6 18	8 30
Monday	10 Paul Seperatus	" 2:	1 32		27	♂ in apo. Markab ^{south} 11 37 e.	35 44 6 16	9 27
Tuesday	11 John Brenz	" 3:	2 28		11	♂ rises 8 20 e.	45 45 6 15	10 32
Wednesday	12 Dionys's Pel'oq'n	" 3; 4: 4-10	3 27		25	♂ rises 11 26 e.	45 46 6 14	11 34
Thursday	13 Wm. Farel	" 4; 11; 5: 16	4 26		10	♂ ♀ rises 4 2 m.	45 47 6 13	12 38
Friday	14 Cyprian	" 5: 17	♂ rises		25	♂ 14. Formal ^{south} 11 20 e.	55 49 6 11	1 13
Saturday	15 A. v. Grumbach	" 6:	6 25		10	♂ stationary. ♀ in ☉	55 50 6 10	1 52

37] 17th Sunday after Trinity.

Luke 14: 1-11; Eph. 4: 1-6.








Day's Length, 12 hours, 18 min.

Sunday	16 Euphemia	Titus 1:	6 50		26	♂ sets 7 26 e.	55 51 6 9	2 34
Monday	17 Lambert	" 2:	7 15		11	♀ in Perihelion	65 53 6 7	3 16
Tuesday	18 A. G. Spangenb'g	" 3:	7 39		25	♂ ♀ ♄. ♀ stationary	65 54 6 6	3 58
Wednesday	19 Ember Day	2 Tim. 1:	8 14		9	♂ rises 11 2 e.	65 56 6 4	4 41
Thursday	20 Magdal. Luther	" 2:	9 4		23	♀ rises 4 18 m.	75 57 6 3	5 27
Friday	21 Matthew	" 3:	10 3		6	♂ ♀ ♄. ♀ in ☉	75 59 6 1	6 17
Saturday	22 Mauritius	" 4:	11 3		20	♂ 22. ☉ en- ^{ters} ♄. Autumn D. & N. Begins. equal.	76 0 6 0	7 13

38] 18th Sunday after Trinity.

Matt. 22: 34-46; 1 Cor. 1: 4-9.


Day's Length, 11 hours, 56 minutes.

Sunday	23 Mart. of Geneva	Heb. 1:	morn.		2	♂ rises 7 32 e.	86 2 5 58	8 13
Monday	24 Jno. Jacob Moser	" 2:	12 14		15	♂ sets 6 52 e.	86 3 5 59	9 12
Tuesday	25 Augsb'g Treaty	" 3; 4:	1 20		27	Antares sets 8 36 e.	86 4 5 56	10 10
Wednesday	26 Lioba	" 5:	2 30		9	♂ in per. ♀ rises 10 35 e.	96 5 5 55	11 0
Thursday	27 Phil. Graveron	" 6:	3 37		21	♂ ♀ ♄. ♀ rises 4 31 m.	96 6 5 54	11 45
Friday	28 A. Carenbach	" 7:	4 43		3	♂ ♀ ♄. Orion rises ^{11 5 e.} ♀ in ☉	96 7 5 53	12 27
Saturday	29 St. Michael	" 8:	♂ sets		15	♂ 29. Sirius rises	10 6 8 5 52	1 18

39] 19th Sunday after Trinity.

Matt. 9: 1-8; Eph. 4: 17-32.

Day's Length, 11 hours, 40 min.

Sunday	30 Jerome	Heb. 9: 1-14	6 20		27	♂ ♀ ♄. ♂ ♀ ♄. ♂ ♀ ♄. 10 6 10 5 50	1 57
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Moon's Phases.

First Quarter,	6th,	7 o'clock,	59 minutes,	evening.
Full Moon,	14th,	11 "	18 "	"
Last Quarter,	22d,	7 "	28 "	morning.
New Moon,	29th,	12 "	40 "	"

Conjectures of the Weather.

1, 2, variable; 3, 4, clear; 5, 6, 7, rain; 8, 9, cool; 10, 11, misty; 12, 13, variable; 14, 15, 16, fair; 17, 18, thunder showers; 19, 20, fair; 21, 22, variable; 23, 24, 25, stormy; 26, 27, rain; 28, 29, fair and cool; 30, clear.

SEPTEMBER.

St. John's Reformed Church, LEBANON, PA.

THE corner stone of St. John's Reformed Church was laid May 22d, 1859. September 7th, 1860, the congregation was organized with 61 members, and Rev. Dr. Harbaugh was elected Pastor. October 18th, the Church was dedicated. The entire cost of building \$22,000 (exclusive of ground), was secured in advance of dedication. The building was recently remodelled at a cost of \$18,000 and is believed to be one of the most beautiful and best arranged in the denomination, and was rededicated during the session of General Synod in 1890.

In 1885 the commodious and well-arranged parsonage was erected at a cost of \$6,000.

The Sunday-school Association first published the "Golden Censer" and "Harbaugh's Hymns and Chants," and the first contributions to the Board of Foreign Missions of the Church came from two members of the school. The congregation is in a very prosperous condition, and marked activity characterizes its operations. The present membership is 336. Its pastors have been: Rev. H. Harbaugh, D. D., 1860-1864; Rev. Thos. S. Johnston, D. D., 1864-1885; Rev. Geo. B. Resser, 1885-1891; Rev. Warren J. Johnson, 1891, present pastor.



The Eastern Synod met in this Church, October 18, 1893.



REV. W. J. JOHNSON, PASTOR.

The Sunday-School Work of the Re- formed Church.

THE Sunday-school Work of the Reformed Church is under the supervision and direction of the Sunday-school Board of the General Synod. To it is committed the preparation of the Lesson-Helps for our schools, and the extension and improvement of Reformed Sunday-schools. By action of the last General Synod the Board elected a General Secretary, who is to devote his entire time to the work. The duty of this officer is to devise such measures as will tend to arouse a deeper interest in the Sunday-school work in our denomination; to make such work more thorough and use-

ful; to bring about a more earnest and careful study of God's word; to awaken Christian, and especially Reformed Church members, to the supreme importance of bringing the gospel into the hearts and lives of the youth in our churches; and to have editorial supervision of our Sunday-school literature.

All our schools are asked to contribute at least *one cent* per member, toward the carrying forward of the general Sunday-school work.

Rev. Rufus W. Miller was elected the first incumbent of the office of Sunday-school Secretary, and entered on his duties October 1st, 1893.

OCTOBER,

10th Month, 31 Days.

1894.

WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON R. & S. H. M.	MOON'S PLACE. S. A.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S. Fs. M. H. M.	SUN RISES SETS M. H. M.	HIGH WATER PHILA. H. M.
Monday	1 Remigius	Heb. 9: 1-5	6 50		♄ in Aphelion	106 11 5	49 2 36	
Tuesday	2 Chr. Schmidt	" 10: 1-18	7 31		♃ rises 10 17 e.	116 12 5	48 3 18	
Wednesday	3 The two Ewalds	" 10: 19	8 11		7* rises 7 34 e.	116 13 5	47 3 58	
Thursday	4 Franciscus	" 11:	9 3		♄ ♄ A ² Libræ	116 15 5	45 4 38	
Friday	5 Petro Carnesec	" 12:	9 47		♄ rises 6 36 e.	116 16 5	44 5 32	
Saturday	6 Henry Albert	" 13:	10 50		6. ♄ rises 4 51 m.	126 17 5	43 6 13	

40] 20th Sunday after Trinity.

Matt. 8: 13-14; Rom. 15: 1-7.

Day's Length, 11 hours, 22 minutes.

Sunday	7 Theodore Benza	Matt. 3:	11 39		♄ in apo. ♄ south 12 36 m.	126 19 5	41 7 10	
Monday	8 Robt. of Lincoln	" 4: 1-22	morn.		♃ Aldebaran rises 8 38 e.	126 20 5	40 7 52	
Tuesday	9 Dionysius Areo	" 4: 23; 5: 1-12	12 8		♄ ♄ ♄ Virginis. ♄ gr. Hel. Lat. N.	136 21 5	39 8 33	
Wednesday	10 Justus Jonas	" 5: 13-32	12 54		♃ Altair south 6 40 e.	136 23 5	37 9 34	
Thursday	11 U. Zwingli died	" 5: 33-48	2 3		♃ rises 9 46 e.	136 24 5	36 10 36	
Friday	12 Henry Bullinger	" 6:	3 14		♄ Regulus rises 10 27 e. ♄ in ♄	136 25 5	35 11 37	
Saturday	13 Elizabeth Frey	" 7:	4 23		♄ rises 5 14 m.	146 27 5	33 12 38	

41] 21st Sunday after Trinity.

Matt. 13: 24-30; Col. 3: 12-17.

Day's Length, 11 hours, 4 min.

Sunday	14 Nich. Ridley	Matt. 8: 1-17	♄ rises		♄ 14. ♄ ♄ ♄	146 28 5	32 1 18	
Monday	15 Aurelia	" 8: 18-34	5 44		♄ ♄ ♄. ♄ south 12 14 m.	146 29 5	31 1 58	
Tuesday	16 Gallus	" 9:	6 13		♄ ♄ south 12 5 m.	146 30 5	30 2 35	
Wednesday	17 Rev. Edict of Nantes	" 10:	6 58		♃ rises 9 21 e.	156 32 5	28 3 16	
Thursday	18 St. Luke Evang.	" 11:	7 55		♄ ♄ ♄. Rigel rises 10 2 e.	156 33 5	27 3 59	
Friday	19 Bruno	" 12:	8 58		♄ gr. East. ♄ sets 6 10 e.	156 34 5	26 4 37	
Saturday	20 F. Lamb't of Avi	" 13:	10 1		♄ ♄ ♄. Algenib south 10 8	156 35 5	25 5 27	

42] 22d Sunday after Trinity.

Matt. 17: 1-9; John 3: 1-10.

Day's Length, 10 hours, 46 min.

Sunday	21 Hilarion	Matt. 14:	11 7		♄ 21. ♄ ♄ ♄	156 37 5	23 6 28	
Monday	22 Hedwig	" 15:	morn.		♄ in per. ♄ gr. Hel. Lat. S.	156 38 5	22 7 28	
Tuesday	23 Henry Martin	" 16:	12 19		♄ enters ♄	166 39 5	21 8 40	
Wednesday	24 Arethas	" 17:	1 41		♃ stationary	166 40 5	20 9 52	
Thursday	25 John Herz	" 18:	2 46		♄ south 11 21 ♄ in ♄	166 42 5	18 10 54	
Friday	26 Frederick III.	" 19:	3 52		♃ rises 9 5 e.	166 43 5	17 11 56	
Saturday	27 Frumentius	" 20: 1-16	4 54		♄ ♄ ♄. ♄ rises 5 39 m.	166 44 5	16 12 27	

43] 23d Sunday after Trinity.

Matt. 22: 15-22; Phil. 3: 17-21.

Day's Length, 10 hours, 30 minutes.

Sunday	28 Simeon and Jude	Eccl. 1: 2:	♄ sets		♄ 28. ♄ ♄ ♄. Sirius rises 11 26 e.	166 45 5	15 1 19	
Monday	29 Alfred the Great	" 3: 4; 5: 6: 1-9	5 32		♄ ♄ ♄. Arietis south 11 26 e.	166 47 5	13 1 59	
Tuesday	30 Jacob Sturm	" 6: 10; 7: 8: 1-15	6 0		♄ ♄ ♄. ♄ ♄ ♄. ♄ stationary	166 48 5	12 2 26	
Wednesday	31 Reformation Fes.	" 8: 16; 9: 10; 11; 12:	6 52		♄ ♄ ♄. ♄ ♄ ♄.	166 49 5	11 3 16	

Moon's Phases.

First Quarter, 6th,	1 o'clock, 57 minutes, afternoon
Full Moon, 14th,	1 " 37 " "
Last Quarter, 21st,	1 " 52 " "
New Moon, 28th,	12 " 53 " morning.

Conjectures of the Weather.

1, 2, clear; 3, 4, misty; 5, 6, 7, variable; 8, 9, 10, rain; 11, 12, cloudy; 13, 14, 15, fair; 16, 17, cloudy; 18, 19, rain; 20, 21, 22, 23, fair and cool; 24, 25, variable; 26, 27, rain; 28, 29, 30, frosty; 31, clear.

(♄). Mars is in opposition with the Sun on the 20th, and shines all night.

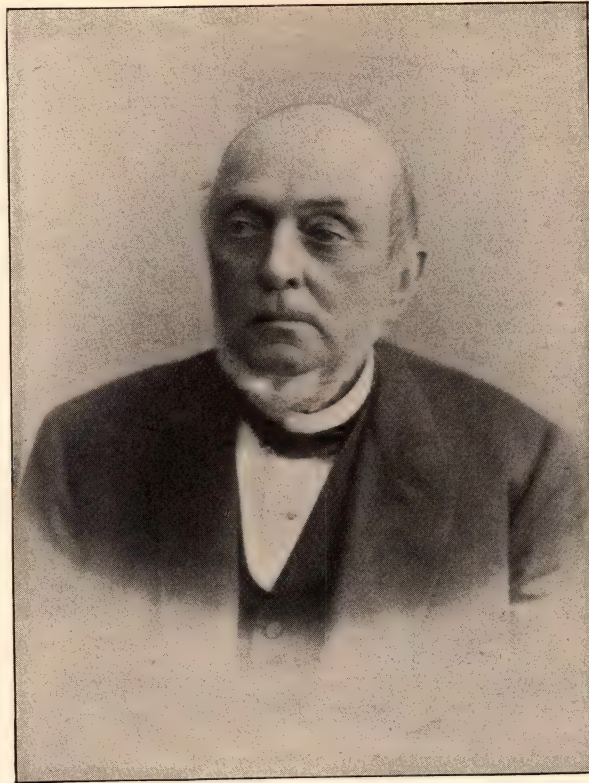
(♄). Saturn is in conjunction with the Sun on the 21st, and cannot be seen.

OCTOBER.

DEACONS.

THE office of deacon ranks next to the eldership and ministry. The diaconate is mentioned in Scripture, its original work described, and high honor given to it. Deacons were first chosen to aid the apostles in applying the alms of the congregation, and especially to look after the poor. Their work, however, soon expanded and enlarged the scope of their influence. Stephen, the first martyr of the Christian Church, was a deacon, and a bold witness for Gospel truth. The deacon Philip became a famous evangelist, through whom the spirit wrought mightly. It is right to honor the office, and to esteem the office-bearer for his work's sake. There are good and bad men in the diaconate as everywhere else, though a peculiar field is given them to show themselves worthy followers of Christ. Many a deacon is as highly esteemed by the people as his pastor; he shares the responsibility of the congregation; he can make his hand-clasps among the young a benediction, and be to them a father to guide them in the way of truth.

It is a hard thing to be a faithful Christian, but this is no reason why the Christian life should not be chosen. It is a hard thing to be a business man; it demands industry, sagacity, patience, and foresight; but the difficulties in the way of business success are never regarded as a sufficient excuse for not engaging in trade or commerce.



THE LATE ROBERT PATTERSON, OF PHILADELPHIA,
Died April 19th, 1893.

A Director of Ursinus College, Collegeville, Pa.; principal donor of Bomberger Memorial Hall. Bequeathed \$160,000 to Ursinus College.

Loving and Giving.

Lord, teach us the lesson
of loving,
The very first lesson of
all;
O thou who dost love little
children,
How tender and sweet
is thy call!
Now help us to hear it, and
give thee
The love thou art asking
to-day;
Then help us to love one
another;
For this we most ear-
nestly pray.

Lord, teach us the lesson
of giving,
For this is the very next
thing;
Our love always ought to
be showing
What offerings and fruits
it can bring.
There are many who know
not thy mercy,
There are millions in
darkness and woe;
Our prayers and our gifts
are all needed,
And all can do some-
thing, we know.

A CHRISTIAN said:
"I love to attend the
prayer-meeting, be-
cause some one is al-
most sure to offer prayer

who seems to have the same burdens that I have, and so I am helped." This is one of the advantages of Christian fellowship. The best things in Christian experience are shared with others. The social prayer-meeting is one of the helps to personal holiness.

'TIS OUR PART

As Christians to forget the wrongs we feel;
To pardon trespasses; our very foes
To love and cherish; to do good to all;
Live peaceably; and seek to be in all our acts
Wise as the serpent, gentle as the dove.

NOVEMBER,

11th Month, 30 Days.

1894.

WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON R. & S. H. M.	MOON'S PLACE. S. A.	ASPECTS OF PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S. Fs. M. H. M.	SUN RISES SETS H. M.	HIGH WATER PHILA. H. M.
Thursday	1 All Saints	Esther 1; 2; 3; 9;	7 46		24 ♀ rises 5 54 m.	16 6	51 5	9 3 53
Friday	2 All Souls	" 5; 6; 7; 8; 9; 10;	8 36		6 Regulus rises 12 54 m. ☾	16 6	52 5	8 4 36
Saturday	3 Priminus	Psalm 103	9 30		19 ♀ rises 8 14 e.	16 6	53 5	7 5 19

44] 4th Sunday before Advent.

Matt. 9: 18-26; Col. 1: 9-14.

Day's Length, 10 hours, 12 minutes.

Sunday	4 Hans Egede	John 21: 1-23	10 26		2 ● in apo. ♀ rises 5 31 m.	16 6	54 5	6 6 13
Monday	5 John A. Bengel	1 John 1; 2:	11 18		15 5. ♂ south 10 26 e.	16 6	55 5	5 6 54
Tuesday	6 Gustav. Adolph	" 3:	morn		29 Markab south 7 53 e.	16 6	56 5	4 7 32
Wednesday	7 Willibrord	" 4:	12 19		13 ♂ ♄. ♀ rises 6 8 m.	16 6	57 5	3 8 12
Thursday	8 Willehad	" 5:	1 22		12 Aldebaran rises 6 36 e.	16 6	58 5	2 8 54
Friday	9 John v. Staupitz	2 John	2 27		17 Orion rises 8 19 e. ● in ♄	16 6	59 5	1 9 50
Saturday	10 Martin Luther	3 "	3 28		27 ♄ in ♄. ♂ ♄ ☉ Inferior	16 7	0 5	0 10 49

45] 3d Sunday before Advent.

Matt. 24: 15-28; 1 Thess. 4: 13-18.

Day's Length, 9 hours, 58 min.

Sunday	11 Martin of Tours	Rev. 1:	4 32		12 ♂ ♄. ♂ ♄ ♄	16 7	1 4	59 11 45
Monday	12 Phil. de Mornay	" 2:	5 44		27 ♂ ♄ ♄. ♀ rises 5 5 m.	16 7	2 4	58 12 39
Tuesday	13 Arcadius	" 3:	♄ rises		12 13. Rigel rises 7 55 e.	16 7	3 4	57 1 40
Wednesday	14 Pet. Mart. Verm.	" 4; 5; 6: 1-12	5 49		26 ♂ ♄. ♄ in Perihelion	15 7	4 4	56 2 28
Thursday	15 John Kepler	" 7: 8: 9:	6 48		10 ♄ rises 7 18	15 7	5 4	55 3 19
Friday	16 Casp. Creuziger	" 9: 13; 10; 11:	7 53		24 ● in per. ♂ ♄	15 7	6 4	54 4 12
Saturday	17 Bernward	" 12; 13	8 58		7 ♂ south 9 32 e.	15 7	7 4	53 5 6

46] 2d Sunday before Advent.

Matt 25: 31-46; 1 Thess. 1: 3-10.

Day's Length, 9 hours, 44 min.

Sunday	18 Greg. Illuminat.	Rev. 14:	10 12		20 ☾ Spica rises 4 17 m.	15 7	8 4	52 5 49
Monday	19 Elizab. of Hesse	" 14: 14-20	11 28		3 19. ♄ stationary	14 7	9 4	51 6 30
Tuesday	20 John Williams	" 15:	morn		15 Polaris south 9 13 e.	14 7	10 4	50 7 7
Wednesday	21 Columbanus	" 16: 1-8	12 29		27 Archernar south 9 8 e.	14 7	11 4	49 8 8
Thursday	22 J. Oecolampadius	" 16: 9	1 32		9 ♂ stationary. ☉ enters ♄. ● in ♄	14 7	12 4	48 9 8
Friday	23 Clemens Roman	" 17:	2 33		20 ♄ rises 6 48 e.	13 7	13 4	47 10 8
Saturday	24 John Knox	" 18:	3 35		2 ♂ ♄. ♀ rises 4 23 m.	13 7	14 4	46 11 1

47] 1st Sunday before Advent.

Matt. 25: 1-13; 2 Peter 3: 3-14.

Day's Length, 9 hours, 30 min.

Sunday	25 Catharine	Rev. 19: 1-10	4 38		14 ♄ gr. Hel. Lat. N. ♂ ♄. ♂ ♄	13 7	15 4	45 11 49
Monday	26 Conrad	" 19: 11; 20: 1-3	5 41		26 ♄ gr. Brilliancy	12 7	15 4	45 12 51
Tuesday	27 Marg't Blauer	" 20: 4	♄ sets		8 27. ♂ ♄. ♄ gr. ♄ rises 4 9 m.	12 7	16 4	44 1 50
Wednesday	28 Alex. Russell	" 21: 1-8	5 38		20 ♂ ♄ ♄. ♀ rises 4 9 m.	12 7	17 4	43 2 46
Thursday	29 Saturninus	" 21: 9; 22	6 29		3 ♄ g. rises 6 22 e.	11 7	17 4	43 3 38
Friday	30 St. Andrew	Psalm 96:	7 23		10 ♂ ♄ ☉ Superior	11 7	18 4	42 4 47

Moon's Phases.

First Quarter, 5th, 10 o'clock, 12 minutes, forenoon.
 Full Moon, 13th, 2 " 46 " morning.
 Last Quarter, 19th, 9 " 5 " evening.
 New Moon, 27th, 3 " 51 " morning.

Conjectures of the Weather.

1, 2, 3, clear; 4, 5, 6, high winds; 7, 8, variable; 9, 10, cloudy; 11, 12, 13, fair; 14, 15, 16, cold; 17, cloudy; 18, 19, 20, fair and cold; 21, 22, rain; 23, 24, clear; 25, 26, variable; 27, 28, cold rains; 29, 30, mild.

(♀). Venus is in superior conjunction with the Sun on the 30th, and passes from morning to evening star.

NOVEMBER.

Woman's Missionary Society of the General Synod.

THIS Society was organized in Akron, O., June, 1887. Its object is to aid in the advancement of the work of Christian missions in home and foreign lands with a view especially to the enlightenment and elevation of woman. It is actively engaged in planning new work, organizing congregational and classical societies, and raising money for home and foreign work. It supports, through the Board of Foreign Missions, Miss Mary C. Hollowell, in Japan.

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“CHARGE not thyself with the weight of a year,
Child of the Master faithful and dear.
Choose not the cross for the coming week,
For that is more than He bids thee seek.
Bend not thine arms for to-morrow's load—
Thou may'st leave that to thy gracious God,
Daily only He saith to thee,
'Take up thy cross, and follow Me.'”

—*—

WE FEED upon what we read, but digest only
what we meditate upon.—*Bengel*.

DECEMBER,

12th Month, 31 Days.

1894.

WEEKS AND DAYS.	REMARKABLE DAYS.	DAILY BIBLE LESSONS.	MOON R. & S. H. M.	MOON'S PLACE. S. A.	ASPECTS OF THE PLANETS, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	S. F.	SUN RISES M. H. M.	SETS M. H. M.	HIGH WATER PHILA. H. M.
Saturday	1 Eligius	Psalm 145 :	8 17	29	♄ south 8 38 e.	☾	11 7	19 4	41 5 40
48] 1st Sunday in Advent. Matt. 21: 8-11; Rom. 13: 11-14. Day's Length, 9 hours, 22 minutes.									
Sunday	2 John Ruysbroek	John 1: 1-14	9 15	♈	♂ in apo. ♀ rises 3 56 m.		10 7	19 4	41 6 27
Monday	3 Gerhard Groot	Gen. 2: 4-25	10 13	♈	Sirius rises 8 58 e.		10 7	20 4	40 7 25
Tuesday	4 Gerh. v. Zutphen	Matt. 19: 1-12	11 12	♈	7* south 10 56 e.		10 7	21 4	39 8 7
Wednesday	5 Crispin	Eph. 5: 22-33	morn.	♈	♂ ♀ in ♄. Rigel rises 5 52 e.		9 7	21 4	39 8 47
Thursday	6 Nicholas	1 Cor. 7:	12 23	♈	♂ ♀ ♄. Altair sets 9 20 in ♄		9 7	22 4	38 9 32
Friday	7 Paulus Odontius	Gen. 3:	1 32	♈	Regulus rises 10 21 e.		8 7	22 4	38 10 4
Saturday	8 Martin Rinkard	" 8: 15 to 9: 17	2 41	♈	♂ ♄. ♄ south 8 18		8 7	22 4	38 10 57
49] 2d Sunday in Advent. Luke 21: 25-33; Rom. 15: 4-13. Day's Length, 9 hours, 14 min.									
Sunday	9 Benj. Schmolck	Acts 17: 15	8 48	♈	♂ ♄ ♄ Scorpii		7 7	23 4	37 11 47
Monday	10 Paul Eber	Gen. 15:	4 51	♈	♂ rises 3 28 m.		7 7	23 4	37 12 10
Tuesday	11 Henry v. Zutphen	Deut. 3:	5 56	♈	Formal sets 9 45 e.		7 7	23 4	37 12 54
Wednesday	12 Spiridion	Exodus 12:	♄ rises	♈	♂ ♄ ♄. Markab sets 12 28 m.		6 7	24 4	36 1 28
Thursday	13 Adilia	Deut. 27:	5 45	♈	♂ ♄ ♄. Aries south 8 35 e.		6 7	24 4	36 2 28
Friday	14 Dioscorus	Rom. 7:	6 47	♈	♂ in per. Spica rises 2 26 m.		5 7	25 4	35 3 33
Saturday	15 Christiana	Leviticus 16.	7 58	♈	♄ south 7 53 e.		5 7	25 4	35 4 33
50] 3d Sunday in Advent. Matt. 11: 2-10; 1 Cor. 4: 1-5. Day's Length, 9 hours, 10 min.									
Sunday	16 Adelheid	Isa. 40; John 5:	9 14	♈	♂ rises 3 12 m.		4 7	25 4	35 5 28
Monday	17 Sturm	1 Pet. 1: 3-12	10 30	♈	Archer nar south 7 46 e.		4 7	25 4	35 6 19
Tuesday	18 Louis v. Seckendorf	2 Sam. 7:	11 40	♈	♂ in ♄. Sirius south 12 53 m.		3 7	25 4	35 7 6
Wednesday	19 Ember Day	Joel 3:	morn.	♈	♂ ♄ ♄. ♄ sets 4 54 e. ♄ in ♄		3 7	25 4	35 7 52
Thursday	20 Abraham	Jer. 23:	12 37	♈	Aldebaran south 10 29 e.		2 7	25 4	35 8 37
Friday	21 Thomas	" 31:	1 38	♈	♄ enters ♄. Winter Begins. Shortest Day.		2 7	26 4	34 9 23
Saturday	22 Hugh McKail	Isa. 52: 13; 53:	2 39	♈	♄ ♄ ♄. ♄ ♄ ♄		1 7	25 4	35 10 14
51] 4th Sunday in Advent. John 1: 19-34; Phil. 4: 4-7. Day's Length, 9 hours, 10 min.									
Sunday	23 Anna du Bourg	Isa. 42:	3 41	♈	♄ ♄ ♄. Capella south 10 56 e.		1 7	25 4	35 11 2
Monday	24 Adam and Eve	" 11: 1-10	4 43	♈	♄ south 7 28 e.	sun	7 25 4	35 11 54	
Tuesday	25 Christmas	" 9: 2-7	5 52	♈	Arietis south 7 42	sol	7 25 4	35 12 20	
Wednesday	26 Stephen	Titus 3: 4-7	♄ sets	♈	♄ ♄ ♄. 7* south 9 28 e.		0 7	25 4	35 1 10
Thursday	27 St. John Evang.	1 John 1: 1-10	5 17	♈	♄ ♄ ♄. ♄ sets 5 6 e.		1 7	25 4	35 1 51
Friday	28 Innocents	Rev. 14: 1-5	6 3	♈	♄ in Aphelion		1 7	25 4	35 2 32
Saturday	29 David	Rom. 8:	7 5	♈	♂ rises 2 21 m.		2 7	25 4	35 3 20
52] Sunday after Christmas. Luke 2: 33-40; Gal. 4: 1-7. Day's Length, 9 hours, 12 min.									
Sunday	30 Christian of Wurtemberg	1 Cor. 8: 1-6	8 6	♈	♂ in apo. Orion south 11 10 e.		3 7	24 4	36 4 5
Monday	31 John Wicliff	Psalm 90:	9 8	♈	Sirius rises 6 53		3 7	24 4	36 4 47

Moon's Phases.

First Quarter,	5th,	7 o'clock,	12 minutes,	morning.
Full Moon,	12th,	2 "	42 "	afternoon.
Last Quarter,	19th,	6 "	12 "	morning.
New Moon,	26th,	9 "	16 "	evening.

Conjectures of the Weather.

1, 2, 3, rain; 4, 5, stormy; 6, 7, 8, clear; 9, 10, 11, cold; 12, 13, 14, mild; 15, 16, 17, north wind; 18, 19, 20, stormy; 21, 22, cold; 23, 24, cloudy; 25, 26, 27, snow; 28, 29, 30, 31, fair.

(2). Jupiter is in opposition with the Sun on the 22d, and shines all night.

DECEMBER.

Our Orphans' Homes.

Bethany, Womelsdorf, Pa. — Rev. T. M. Yundt, Superintendent. Number of children, 104.

St. Paul's, Butler, Pa. — Rev. P. C. Prugh, D.D., Superintendent. Number of children, 65.

Reformed, Fort Wayne, Ind. — Rev. J. Rettig, Superintendent. Number of children, 68.

Zoar, Detroit, Mich. — Rev. Wm. Hansen, Superintendent. Number of children, 46.

Remember these at Christmas time.

LITTLE self-denials, little honesties, little passing words of sympathy, little nameless acts of kindness, little silent victories over favorite temptations—these are the threads of gold which, when woven together, gleam so brightly in the pattern of life that God approves.—*F. W. Farrar*.

LET him who enters the sick room to give comfort, remember that a single promise from the Word is better than a chapter, and that a cheery, hopeful sentence is better than a sermon.



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The Gift Season.

OUR Saviour is the gift of heaven to us. His birthday has become the great gift season among the people in Christian lands.

ALL pleasures must be bought at the price of pain. The difference between false pleasure and true pleasure is just this—for the true, the price is paid before you enjoy it; for false, after you enjoy it.

PASTORAL care, pastoral work, pastoral visitation, will bridge the chasm and bind the masses to the Church with rivets stronger than steel. All the discussion about the preacher's influence declining would be hushed if pastoral visiting were the practice of the pulpit. The power of the preacher will decline, the masses will be alienated from the Church, if the ministry for any cause neglects pastoral visiting.—*Nashville Christian Advocate*.

A Christ-like Christmas is to "go about doing good."

THE BROTHERHOOD OF ANDREW AND PHILIP.

THE Brotherhood of Andrew and Philip is now both denominational and inter-denominational. Four denominations are regularly represented in the Federal Council which carries on the more general work, and issues a monthly — *The Brotherhood Star*—devoted to the interest of Christian work among young men. One hundred and fifty chapters are enrolled from the two Reformed Churches, and the Presbyterian and the Congregational. And there are chapters not enrolled in the Methodist, Lutheran and Baptist Churches. The chapters are scattered throughout 25 states of the Union, and in all the large cities as well as in smaller places, and in country churches. The Brotherhood fundamentals are, namely, the pledging of the members to the two Rules of Prayer and Service, and willingness to do the work assigned to them by the pastor.

The Brotherhood is flexible in its working. In one congregation the most of its energy is expended upon a Young Men's Bible Class; in another, on a Mission Sunday-school or Invitation Work; in a third, on a Men's Prayer Meeting; and in a fourth, it takes charge of the ushering of the Church.

The Brotherhood has already done much for the Church through the personal activity of its members and has rendered special service to the Reformed Church by calling attention to the historic colors of the Church of Switzerland, Germany and the Netherlands, through its badge—the Red, Orange and Black, thus recalling the glorious struggle for civil and religious freedom, and gospel truth, in which the Reformed patriots conquered for the world. And it has brought honor to the Reformed Church, as well as made her better known, by giving the Federal form of government, and the Brotherhood idea to the large denominations of our



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land. Rev. Rufus W. Miller is the President of the Federal Council, and T. A. Wonder, General Secretary, 1423 Mosher St., Baltimore, Md. The first Federal Convention was held November 2d and 3d, 1893, in the Marble Collegiate Reformed Church, 29th Street and Fifth Avenue, New York City. It was largely attended and measures were taken, which will doubtless advance the work more rapidly than ever. Many Christian Endeavor Societies now have a Brotherhood Committee composed of young men who pledge themselves to the two Rules of the Brotherhood.

Pastors who desire to find work for their young men, whereby they will more readily lay hold of other young men, drawing them into the services of the Church, and so into the possibilities of all good, are invited to correspond with the General Secretary, and to establish chapters in their congregations. Earnest young men may also find here suggestions for the directions of their powers which will greatly enhance their usefulness.

Give the young men something to do.



THE NEW THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY BUILDING, LANCASTER, PA.

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THE corner-stone of the above beautiful and commodious building was laid with appropriate ceremonies Thursday, June 15th, 1893. It is built of brown stone and red brick. The style is an adaptation of the modern Romanesque. Is well arranged for the convenience and accommodation of Professors and students, and contains lecture rooms, chapel and library, the last is fire proof.

“LEST riches should be accounted evil in themselves, God sometimes gives them to the righteous; and lest they should be considered as the *chief good*, he frequently bestows them on the wicked.”
—*Seeker*.

PEOPLE generally go in the direction they look. If they look upward, they are moving higher. If they continually see the lower and baser things of life, they are traveling in that direction.

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NECROLOGY.

FROM OCTOBER 1, 1892, TO SEPTEMBER 1, 1893.

BUSCHE, D. D., REV. JOHN FREDERICK.—Born August 5th, 1817, in Meinsdorf, Province of Brandenburg, Prussia. When eighteen years old entered University of Berlin. At the age of twenty-four went to London, Eng., where he engaged in missionary work one year. Was then sent to Liverpool to act as missionary among his countrymen. In 1844 came to New York. Was missionary there until, in 1846, he became pastor of Forsyth Church on Suffolk Street, New York, and was its pastor until his death. Died July 10th, 1893, aged 75 years, 11 months and 5 days. His wife died in 1884. Two sons and three daughters survive him. Buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Brooklyn.

DIECKMANN, D. D., REV. JOHN FREDERICK HENRY.—Born at Sulingen, Hanover, Germany, April 4th, 1835. Came to this country in 1845. Settled in Galveston, Texas. Came North in 1847. Licensed and ordained in 1859. First charge, Caroline, O., five years; (2) Galvin, O., six years; (3) St. Luke's, Louisville, Ky., two years; (4) Zion's, Louisville, Ky., four years; (5) Zion's, Buffalo, Ky. Married February 19th, 1853, Frederica Tatgenhorst, who, with eight children, survives him. Died February 11th, 1893, aged 57 years, 10 months and 7 days. Buried at Buffalo, N. Y.

DIEFFENBACHER, REV. DIODORUS SICALUS.—Born at Woodstock, Va., February 26th, 1835. Engaged in business for several years in Pittsburgh, Pa. Graduated Theological Seminary, Lancaster, Pa., 1873. Licensed and ordained same year. First charge Kittanning, Pa., twelve years; (2) Christ Church, Altoona, Pa., six years; (3) Shiloh, Danville, until his death. Married Mary Reifsnider, who, with seven children, three sons and four daughters, survives him. Died January 23d, 1893, aged 57 years, 10 months and 27 days. Buried Allegheny Cemetery, Pittsburgh, Pa.

ESSELBORN, REV. OTTO.—Born at Gunter's Clum, near Worms, Rhine Hessen, June 16th, 1849. Studied in Gymnasium at Worms, and the University of Heidelberg, Germany. Came to this country 1874, settled at Chicago. Studied theology privately. Licensed in 1874 and ordained in 1875. First charge at Loran, Ills., eight years; (2) Washburne, Ills., nine years; retired in 1891, and returned to Loran, Ills., where he died November 5th, 1892, aged 43 years, 4 months and 19 days. Buried at Loran, Ills.

GLANTZ, REV. JOHN C.—Born in Chur-Hessen, Germany. Came to this country when young. Located in Baltimore, Md. Served several charges in the West. Became pastor of Hegin's Charge, Schuylkill County, Pa., in 1885. Twice married; his wife and daughter survive him. In 1889 at Nanticoke. Died June 5th, 1893, aged 63 years. Buried in Hanover Cemetery, Nanticoke, Pa.

INGOLD, D. D., REV. JEREMIAH.—Born September 25th, 1816, Guilford County, N. C. Entered Marshall College, 1837, graduated 1841. Theological Seminary, 1844. Licensed and ordained 1844. First charge West Rowan, N. C., ten years; (2) Lincoln and Catalant Counties, N. C., until 1890, when he retired; also taught at intervals during his ministry. Received degree of D. D. from Franklin and Marshall College 1884. Married, December 14th, 1843, to Margaret Ramsaur, who died June 11th, 1891. Four children, one son and three daughters, survive him. Died at Hickory, N. C., February 12th, 1893, aged 76 years, 2 months and 17 days. Buried in Oakwood Cemetery, Hickory, N. C.

KEMMERER, D. D., REV. DAVID.—Son of David and Elizabeth (nee Dech) Kemmerer, born near Easton, Pa., September 15th, 1802. Prepared for the ministry under Rev. Dr. Becker. Licensed and ordained in 1827. First charge, Pittsburgh, Pa., fourteen years; (2) Brookfield, O., twelve years; (3) Wooster, O., till he retired. Married, November 23d, 1827, Catharine Blum, who died March 16th, 1889. They had five children; one son and two daughters survive him. Died at Wooster, O., May 6th, 1893, aged 90 years, 7 months and 2 days. Buried at Wooster, O.

KRETZING, REV. JOHN.—Born near Ickesburg, Perry Co., Pa., March 6th, 1836. Studied privately, except one year at Theological

Seminary, Mercersburg, Pa. Licensed and ordained in 1863. First charge, Decker Run, Pa., nine years; (2) Lykens, Pa., three years; (3) New Bloomfield, eight years; (4) Christ Church, Adams Co., Pa.; (5) Brodheads ville, Pa., which he resigned on account of ill health. Married Sallie A. Bernheisel, who, with several children, survives him. Died at Brodheads ville, Pa., December 3d, 1892, aged 56 years and 9 months. Buried at Newport, Pa.

LERCH, REV. J. V.—Born May 10th, 1843, in Northumberland County, Pa. In 1867 entered Heidelberg College, graduated in 1871, Theological Seminary, Tiffin, O., in 1873. Ordained in 1874. First charge Columbiana, O., until 1886. Was appointed Chaplain of National Military Home of Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, Dayton, O., and held the position until his death, July 14th, 1893, aged 50 years, 2 months and 4 days. A wife, a son, and a daughter survive him. Buried at Dayton, O.

REILLY, PH. D., REV. WILLIAM MCCLELLAN.—Son of James and Louisa Reilly. Born in York, Pa., in 1837. Graduate of Penna. College, Gettysburg, Pa., and of Princeton Theological Seminary. Spent three years in the Universities of Germany. Was theological tutor in Seminary at Mercersburg. Ordained in 1864. First charge Lewisburg, Pa., four years; (2) Jonestown, Pa., five years; was connected with Palatinate College, Myerstown, Pa., as Professor and as President, eleven years. In 1884 became President of Allentown Female College, resigned in June, 1892, at which time he became pastor of Wyoming, Delaware, and Ridgely, Eastern Shore of Maryland, and was the pastor at the time of his death. Married Miss Lizzie Schrack, who survives him. Died at Wyoming, Del., November 22d, 1892, in the 55th year of his age. Buried at Allentown, Pa.

RUHL, REV. JOHN G.—Son of John Ruhl and wife, born in Hesse, Germany, December 14th, 1827. Came to this country 1858, settled in Canton, O. Studied theology under Rev. P. Herbruck, D. D. Licensed and ordained 1847. First charge, Columbiana County, O., three years; (2) Marion, O., thirteen years; (3) Findlay, O., eleven years; Kenton, O., four years; (4) Wyandotte, O., independent, eight years; last, Findlay, O., six years. Married March 17th, 1842, to Susanna Duckerhaaf, who, with ten children, survives him. Died at Findlay, O., October 16th, 1892, aged 74 years, 10 months and 2 days. Buried at Findlay, O.

SCHULTZ, REV. CHARLES W.—A native of Berks County, Pa. Licensed and ordained in 1830. Missionated around City of Reading, Pa., Oley, Pa., 1842-1844, Baumsburg, Pa., 1844-1846, without charge from 1846-1856, Egg Harbor 1857-1858, retired 1858. Resided at Camden, N. J. Died April 14th, 1893, 90th year of his age. Buried at Camden.

SHOEMAKER, REV. DAVID OTTO.—Son of Philip J. and Christena Shoemaker. Born in Friends' Cove, Bedford Co., Pa., March 30th, 1833. Graduated Theological Seminary, Mercersburg, Pa., July, 1860. Licensed and ordained 1860. First charge, Fairview, Pa., five years; (2) St. Petersburg, Pa., nine years; (3) Shamokin, Pa., four years; (4) Augusta, Pa., three years; (5) Nittany Valley, Pa., nine years; (6) Stoystown, Pa., two years. Married twice; first time, Esther Diehl, who lived less than a year; second time, Elizabeth Jordan, who, with five children, survives him. Died at Stoystown, Pa., August 25th, 1893, aged 60 years, 4 months and 25 days. Buried at Aaronsburg, Pa.

SMITH, REV. GEORGE B.—Born in Blair Co., Pa. Studied privately in Bucks Co., Pa. Licensed 1884. Ordained 1886. First and only charge, Tannersville, Pa., nearly seven years. Married twice, second wife surviving him. Died at Tannersville, March 26, 1893, Pa. Buried at Tannersville, Pa.

TOENSMER, REV. A.—Born January 3d, 1824. Completed his studies for the ministry at Mercersburg. Licensed and ordained 1852. First charge Dayton, O.; (2) Louisville, Ky.; (3) Evansville, Ind.; (4) Toledo, thirteen years; (5) Ironton, O., fourteen years; returned to Toledo. A wife and four children survive him, one a minister in the Reformed Church. Died at Toledo, March 14th, 1893, aged 69 years, 2 months and 11 days. Buried at Toledo, O.

PRINCIPAL EVENTS IN THE CHURCH

FROM OCTOBER 1ST, 1892, TO SEPTEMBER 1ST, 1893.

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| <p>1892.</p> <p>Oct. 1—Dedication of Mt. Zion's Church, Bedford Co., Pa., Rev. A. S. Glessner, pastor.</p> <p>" 2—Dedication of St. Paul's Chapel, Williamson, Pa., Rev. Z. A. Yearick, pastor.</p> <p>" 5—Annual Meeting of Northwest (German) Synod, Franklin, Wisc., President Rev. C. Noll, Stated Clerk, Rev. J. J. Jannett.</p> <p>" " Annual Meeting of the Synod of Ohio, Grace Church, Cleveland, O., President, Rev. R. Keller, Stated Clerk, Rev. I. H. Reiter, D. D.</p> <p>" 11—Annual Meeting of the Synod of Potomac, Martinsburg, W. Va., President, Rev. Jno. G. Noss, Stated Clerk, Rev. W. M. Deatrick, D. D.</p> <p>" 13—Arrival of Rev. H. K. Miller, at Yokohama, Japan.</p> <p>" 16—Death of Rev. Jno. G. Ruhl, Findlay, O.</p> <p>" 19—Annual Meeting of Synod of the Interior, Lisbon, Iowa., President, Rev. A. Casselman, Stated Clerk, Rev. G. D. Gurley.</p> <p>" " Annual Meeting of the Eastern Synod, St. Paul's Church, Lancaster, Pa., President, Rev. S. G. Wagner, D. D., Stated Clerk, Rev. J. P. Stein.</p> <p>" 23—Dedication of First Reformed (Hungarian) Church, Pittsburg, Pa., Rev. J. Kovacs, pastor.</p> <p>" 30—Dedication of St. Peter's Church, Frackville, Pa., Rev. T. J. Bower, pastor.</p> <p>" " Dedication of Church (German), Grand Prairie, Ills., Rev. J. Grauel, pastor.</p> <p>Nov. 5—Death of Rev. O. Esselborn, Loran, Ills.</p> <p>" 18—Formal Opening of Tohoku Gakuin, Sendai, Japan, Rev. M. Oshikawa, President.</p> <p>" 20—Dedication of St. Mark's Church, Reading, Pa., Rev. H. Y. Stoner, pastor.</p> <p>" 22—Death of Rev. Wm. M. Reily, Ph. D., Wyoming, Del.</p> <p>Dec. 3—Death of Rev. J. Kretzing, Brodheadsville, Pa.</p> <p>" 4—Dedication of Harbaugh's Church, Pa., Rev. S. E. Stofflet, pastor.</p> <p>" " Laying corner-stone of St. Stephen's Church, Baltimore, Md., Rev. C. W. Levan, pastor.</p> <p>" 11—Dedication of church, Grundy County, Iowa, Rev. S. Ream, pastor.</p> <p>" 17—Purchase of site for new Theological Seminary Building, Lancaster, Pa.</p> <p>1893.</p> <p>Jan. 1—Dedication of church, Royersford, Pa., Rev. O. H. E. Rauch, pastor.</p> <p>" 23—Death of Rev. D. S. Dieffenbacher, Danville, Pa.</p> <p>" 28—Dedication of new church, Friedens, Somerset Co., Pa., Rev. D. O. Shoemaker, pastor.</p> <p>Feb. 5—Laying corner-stone of Calvary Church, 29th and Lehigh Ave., Philadelphia.</p> <p>" 11—Death of Rev. J. H. F. Dieckmann, D. D., Buffalo, N. Y.</p> <p>" 12—Death of Rev. John Ingold, D. D., Hickory, N. C.</p> <p>March 14—Death of Rev. A. Toensmeier, Toledo, O.</p> <p>" 26—Death of Rev. George B. Smith, Tannersville, Pa.</p> | <p>1893.</p> <p>April 14—Death of Rev. Charles W. Schultz, Camden, N. J.</p> <p>" 18—Appointment of Rev. N. C. Schaeffer, Ph. D., by Gov. Pattison, as Superintendent of Public Instruction of Pennsylvania.</p> <p>" 19—Death of Elder Robert Patterson, of Philadelphia, who bequeathed \$160,000 to Ursinus College, Collegeville, Pa.</p> <p>" " Commencement of Theological Seminary, Tiffin, O.; five graduates.</p> <p>" 23—Dedication of St. Mary's Church, Silver Run, Md., Rev. J. G. Noss, pastor.</p> <p>" 27—Special Meeting of Potomac Synod, Frederick City, Md., at which the proposition to lease the buildings of the Frederick Female Seminary was accepted, and the preparatory arrangements for opening were made.</p> <p>" 30—Formal Opening of Calvary Chapel, 29th and Lehigh Ave., Philadelphia, Rev. J. H. String, pastor.</p> <p>May 2—Commencement of the Theological Department of Ursinus College, Collegeville, Pa.; sixteen graduates.</p> <p>" 6—Death of Rev. D. Kemmerer, Wooster, O.</p> <p>" " Death of Rev. Martin Mueller, Oberlin, O.</p> <p>" 7—Dedication of new church, Norwood, O., Rev. Jos. L. Schatz, pastor.</p> <p>" " Formal Opening of the Sunday-school building of St. Paul's Memorial Church, Reading, Pa., Rev. B. Bausman, D. D., pastor.</p> <p>" 11—Sixty-eighth Anniversary of the Theological Seminary, Lancaster, Pa.; twenty-three graduates.</p> <p>" " Breaking ground for new Seminary Building, Lancaster, Pa.</p> <p>" 21—Dedication of new church, Harrold's, Rev. I. N. Burger, pastor.</p> <p>" 24—Meeting of the General Synod, St. Paul's Memorial Church, Reading, Pa., Rev. B. Bausman, D. D., pastor; President, Rev. T. G. Apple, D. D.; Revs. John H. Sechler, D. D., and Marcus Bachman, D. D., Vice-Presidents; Rev. T. F. Hoffmeier, Cor. Secretary; Revs. I. H. Reiter, D. D., and J. Dahlman, D. D., Stated Clerks.</p> <p>June 4—Dedication of new Emanuel's Church, Hazelton, Pa., Rev. A. Noll, pastor.</p> <p>" 5—Death of Rev. J. C. Glantz, Nanticoke, Luzerne Co., Pa.</p> <p>" 8—Commencement of Mercersburg College, Mercersburg, Pa.; eleven graduates.</p> <p>" 9—Commencement of Wichita University, Wichita, Kans.</p> <p>" 15—Annual Commencement of Heidelberg University, Tiffin, O.; fourteen graduates.</p> <p>" " Annual Commencement of Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa.; twenty-seven graduates.</p> |
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PRINCIPAL EVENTS IN THE CHURCH—Continued.

1893.
June 15—Laying corner-stone of new seminary building, Lancaster, Pa.
" 18—Annual Commencement of Catawba College, Newton, N. C.; *three* graduates.
" " Laying of corner-stone of Christ Mission Chapel, Norristown, Pa., Rev. C. J. Musser, pastor.
" 20—Laying of corner-stone of Second Church (German) Cleveland, O., Rev. J. H. Stepler, D. D., pastor.
" 22—Commencement of Ursinus College, Collegeville, Pa.; *fourteen* graduates.
" 25—Laying corner-stone of new church, Louisville, O., Rev. J. J. Leberman, D. D., pastor.
" " Dedication of Chapel, St. Stephen's Church (mission), Baltimore, Md., Rev. C. W. Levan, pastor.
" 26—Rev. J. P. Moore, D. D., and wife, and adopted daughter, Margaret, sailed on the "Empress Japan" from Vancouvers, B. A., for Japan.
" 28—Twenty-fifth Anniversary of Salem's (German) Church, Fort Wayne, Ind., Rev. J. Kuelling, D. D., pastor.
July 2—Dedication of Grace Church, Spring Mills, Centre Co., Pa., Rev. S. H. Eisenberg, pastor.
" " Dedication of new church, Factoryville, Michigan, Rev. J. Keppel, pastor.
" 7—Resignation of Rev. H. W. Super, D. D., LL. D., as President of Ursinus College, and the election of Rev. H. T. Spangler, A. M., as his successor.
" " Miss Lizzie R., and Emma F. Poorbaugh, and niece Kittie, sailed from Yokohama, Japan, on their return to this country.
" " Commencement of Calvin College, Cleveland, O.; *four* graduates.
" 8—Laying of corner-stone of church, Adamstown, Md., Rev. I. M. Motter, pastor.
" 9—Rev. J. P. Moore, D. D., and wife, and adopted daughter arrived at Yokohama, Japan.
" 10—Death of Rev. J. F. Busche, D. D., New York City.
" 13—Death of Wm. E. Schmertz, Esq., Pittsburg, Pa.; aged 67 years.
1893.
July 13—Centennial Reunion of Southern Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia and West Virginia, at Williams' Grove, Cumberland Co., Pa.
" 14—Death of Rev. John V. Lerch, Chaplain of National Military Home, Dayton, O.
" 15—Centennial Reunion of Tohickon Classis, at Menlo Park, Bucks Co., Pa.
" 23—Twenty-third Commencement of Allentown College for Women, Allentown, Pa.; *ten* graduates.
" " Laying of corner-stone of new church, New Knoxville, O.
" 25—Miss Lizzie R. and Emma F. Poorbaugh, and niece Kittie, returned missionaries from Japan, arrived at San Francisco, Cal.
" 27—Centennial Reunion of Lehigh Valley at Allentown, Pa.
" " Centennial Reunion of St. Paul's Classis at Conneaut Lake, Crawford Co., Pa.
" 30—Laying of corner-stone of new church at Tinicum, Pa., Rev. H. F. Long, pastor.
Aug. 3—Reformed Rally of the Miami Valley, at Soldiers' Home, near Dayton, O.
" 6—Laying of corner-stone of new church, Richville, O.
" 13—Dedication of church, Hyndman, Bedford Co. Pa., Rev. A. S. Glessner, pastor.
" " Laying of corner-stone of new church, Quakertown, Pa., Rev. F. J. Mohr, pastor.
" " Laying corner-stone of new church, Crystal Springs, O., Rev. I. S. Hahn, pastor.
" 16—Centennial Reunion of Central Pennsylvania, Centre Hall, Pa.
" 20—Laying of corner-stone of new church, Shamokin, Pa., Rev. C. B. Schneder, pastor.
" 25—Death of Rev. D. O. Shoemaker, Stoystown, Pa.
" 30—Annual Meeting of German Synod of the East, Buffalo, N. Y., Rev. M. Heinze, President; Rev. A. E. Dahlman, Stated Clerk.
" 31—Thirtieth Anniversary of Bethany Orphans' Home, Womelsdorf, Pa.

FORM FOR BEQUESTS.

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"I give and bequeath to the 'Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States,' located at Lancaster, Pa., the sum of.....dollars; to 'Franklin and Marshall College,' located at Lancaster, Pa., the sum of.....dollars; to the 'Board of Home Missions of the Reformed Church of the United States,' of which Elder J. J. Nissley, of Hummelstown, Pa., is at present Treasurer, the sum of.....dollars; to the 'Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States,' the sum of.....dollars; to the 'Board of Education of the Eastern Synod of the Reformed

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Form of Constitution for Congregational Missionary Society.

ARTICLE I.

This Society shall be known as the Missionary Society of _____ Reformed Church at _____, whose object shall be to advance the cause of missions.

ARTICLE II.

The officers shall be a President, a Vice-President a Secretary, and a Treasurer, to serve one year.

ARTICLE III.

These officers, together with the Pastor as Chairman, shall be an Executive Committee, whose duty shall be: to arrange the program for monthly meetings and anniversary services, to examine and approve all readings, recitations, essays and reports, before they are given in public, and to carry out any instructions given by the Society.

ARTICLE IV.

This Executive Committee shall divide the congregation into several districts, and appoint two persons over each district as collectors, whose duty shall be to secure the names of new members, to collect every month the offerings of all the members and of others who may be monthly contributors, to report their work at each regular meeting and pay over their collections to the Treasurer. These collectors shall serve four months.

ARTICLE V.

Each member shall give as God has prospered him, but not less than five cents a month.

ARTICLE VI.

The Society shall meet on the first Wednesday evening of each month, the Pastor conducting or directing the devotional services, and the President presiding the remainder of the time.

ARTICLE VII.

The program for the regular meetings shall include singing, prayer, reading the Scriptures, reading the minutes, recitations, readings, addresses, report of the collectors, the offerings of those who have not otherwise given, unfinished business, new business.

ARTICLE VIII.

The money raised by this society shall be given only to the work of missions.

ARTICLE IX.

These Articles may be amended at any regular meeting, notice of such amendment having been given at the previous regular meeting.

OBJECT.	IN WHAT SYNOD.	TREASURER.	ADDRESS.
Foreign Missions,	General Synod,	Jos. L. Lemberger,	Lebanon, Pa.
Home Missions,	{ Joint Synods, Eastern and }	James T. Reber,	Reading, Pa.
" "	{ Potomac, }	John J. Nissley,	Hummelstown, Pa.
" "	German Synod of the East,	Geo. Ehrlen,	1937 Ridge Ave., Phila., Pa.
" "	Ohio Synod,	J. J. Leberman, D. D.,	Louisville, O.
" "	Synod of the Northwest,	C. Baum, D. D.,	Lima, O.
Beneficiary Education,	Eastern Synod,	Chas. G. Fisher, D. D.,	907 Arch St., Phila., Pa.
" "	Ohio Synod,	L. H. Kefauver, D. D.,	Tiffin, O.
" "	Pittsburg Synod,	C. R. Dieffenbacher, D. D.,	Greensburg, Pa.
" "	Potomac Synod,	Wm. M. Deatrick, D. D.,	Mercersburg, Pa.
Society for Relief of Ministers,	General Synod,	Rev. S. S. Miller,	St. Petersburg, Pa.
Eastern Theological Seminary,	Eastern Synod,	John B. Roth,	Lancaster, Pa.
Western " "	Ohio Synod,	I. H. Reiter, D. D.,	Miamisburg, O.
Franklin and Marshall College,	Eastern Synod,	J. W. B. Bausman,	Lancaster, Pa.
Heidelberg University,	Ohio Synod,	L. H. Kefauver, D. D.,	Tiffin, O.
Mercersburg College,	Potomac Synod,	E. J. Bonbrake, Esq.,	Chambersburg, Pa.
Ursinus College,	Eastern Synod,	Frank M. Hobson,	Collegeville, Pa.
Sheboygan Mission Home,	Synod of the Northwest,	C. F. Arpke,	Franklin, Wis.
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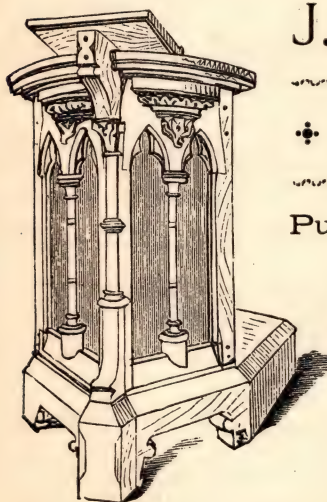
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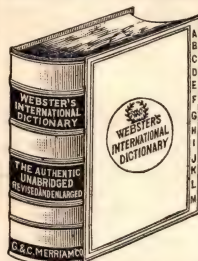
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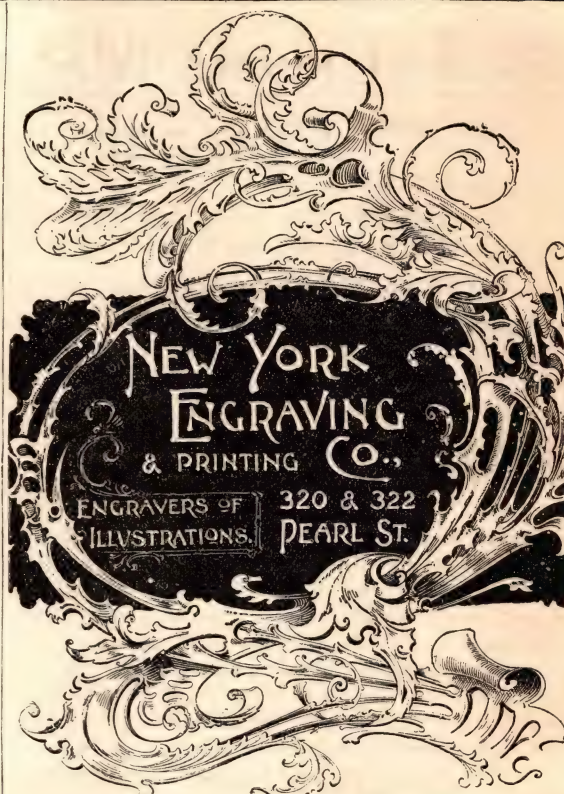
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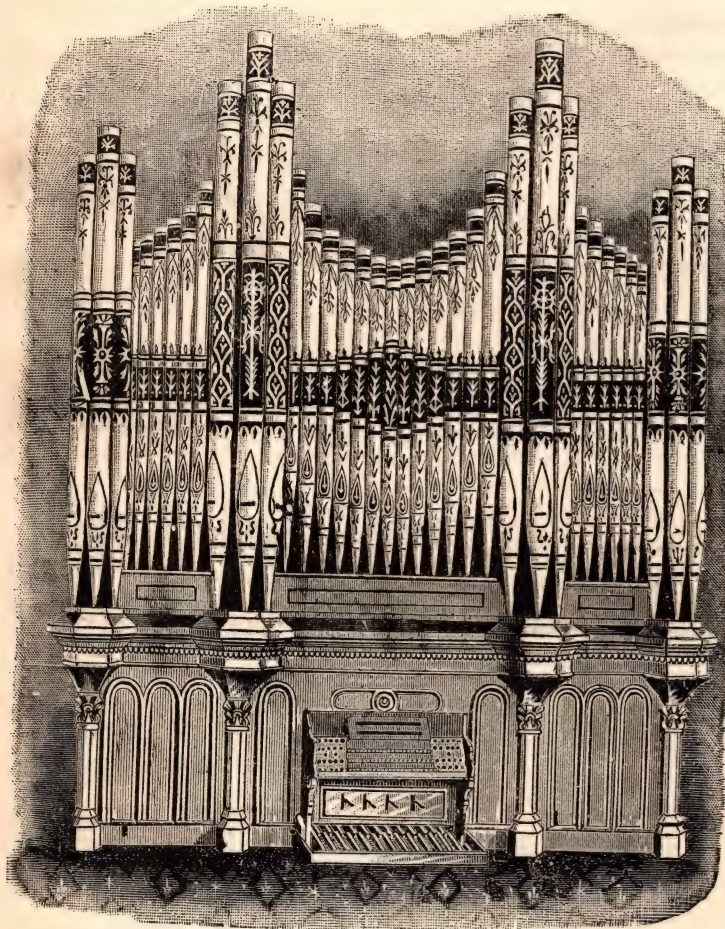
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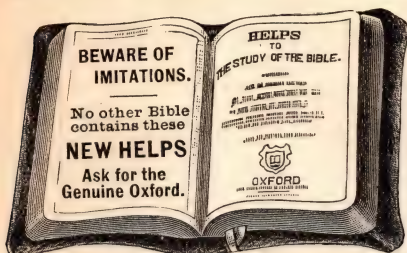
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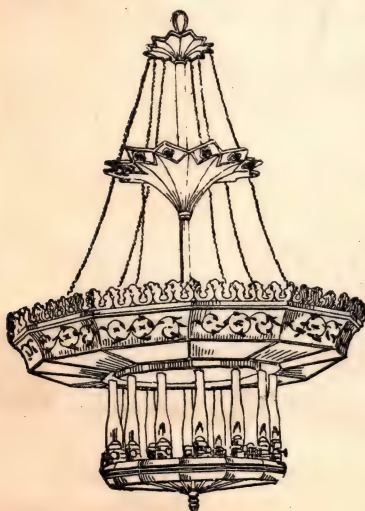
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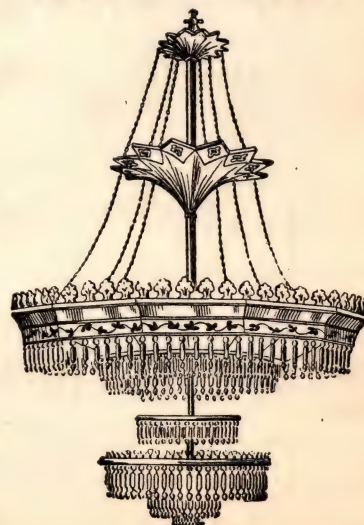
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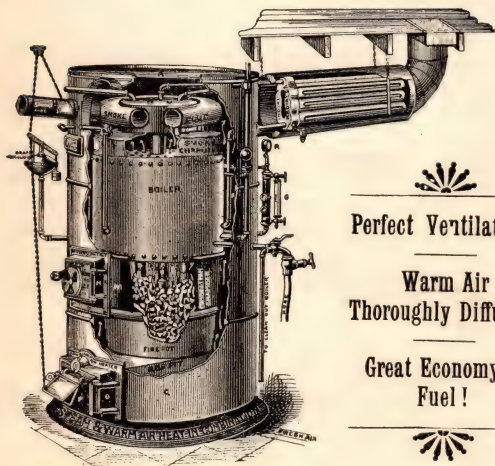
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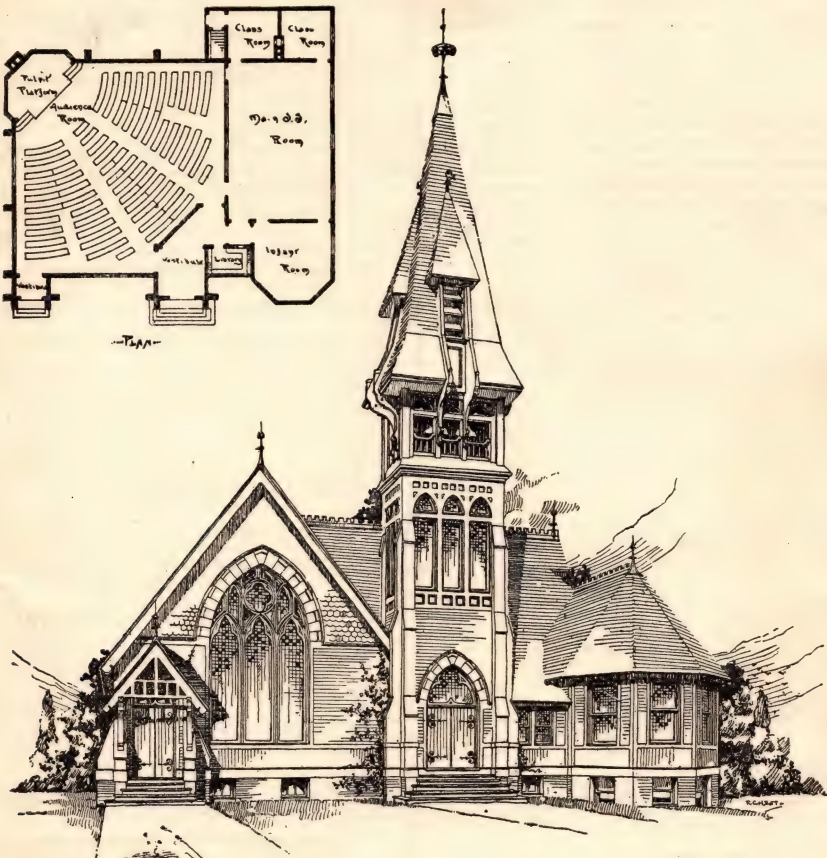
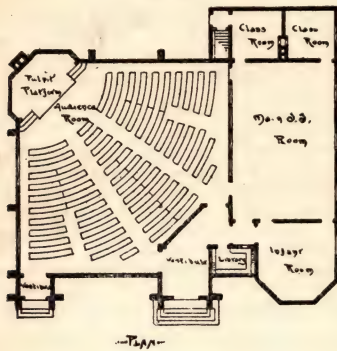
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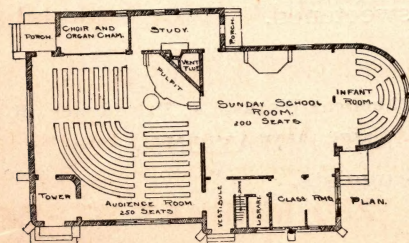
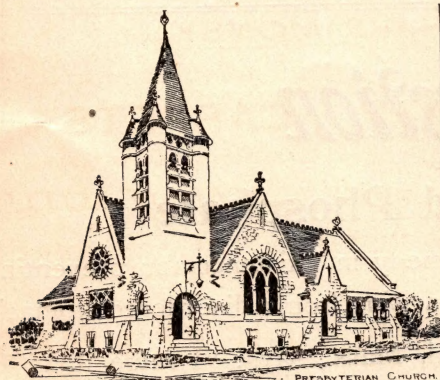
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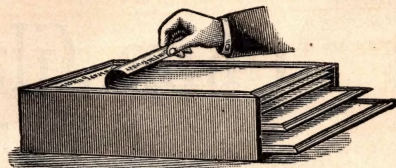
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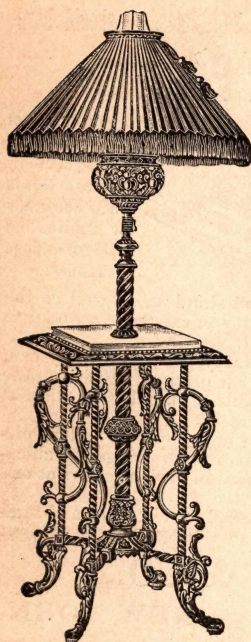
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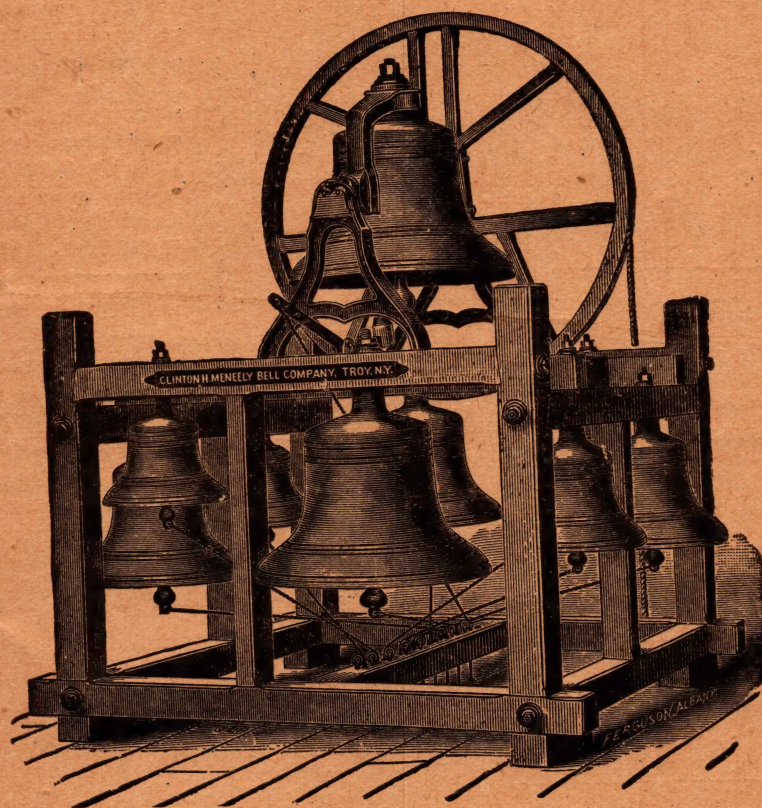
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